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Lord Beaverbrook

## Beaverbrook May Become Minister Of Shipping

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The House of Commons held a secret session to-day to discuss shipping.  
It is rumoured that Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Air Production, will shortly replace Mr. Ronald Cross as Minister of Shipping and Transport.  
This report is circulated with reports from Sydney that Mr. Cross is going to Australia.  
Lieutenant-Colonel Moore-Brabazon, Minister of Transport, is stated to succeed Lord Beaverbrook. Mr. Cross has recently been criticised for his shortcomings as shipping Minister.

## DESTROYER SINKS SUB Convoy Incident In Aegean Sea

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
ATHENS, Mar. 13 (UP).—A convoy, presumably British, is believed to be in the Aegean Sea.  
A Greek communiqué reported that the Greek destroyer Psara sank an Italian submarine as it was attempting to attack a convoy.  
It is recalled that private advices to the "United Press" in New York yesterday said that a British force had arrived in Greece from Egypt, while the British reported that an Italian submarine was sunk in attempting to attack a convoy in the Aegean Sea on March 6.

## YUGO-SLAVIA Resists Axis Demands

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Yugo-Slavs are resisting Nazi pressure, according to the Ankara radio to-night.  
"The Yugo-Slavs are resolutely determined to remain neutral," said the Turkish announcer, "and German pressure is fast leading to anti-Axis feeling in Yugo-Slavia."  
The announcer added that although an understanding between Germany and Yugo-Slavia was claimed yesterday, a subsequent change in the German demands seemed to have prevented the Yugo-Slavs from signing the agreement.

## Allied Armies Drawing Near Abyssinia Capital

NAIROBI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—More progress in the advance from the south towards Addis Ababa is recorded in a communiqué issued here to-day.  
Patriot forces, it is now confirmed, have occupied Yavello, 70 miles north of Mega. The patriots are following up the Italians' retreat in co-operation with the Imperial forces from Molo.  
In Italian Somaliland, the British forces surprised the enemy at Daghabur, a post 100 miles south of

# BRITISH BOMBERS BLITZ BERLIN, BREMEN AND HAMBURG IN NIGHT RAID

LONDON, MAR. 13 (REUTER).—A FORMIDABLE STRIKING FORCE OF BRITISH BOMBER COMMAND AIRCRAFT SWEEP OVER GERMANY LAST NIGHT TO ATTACK HAMBURG, BREMEN AND BERLIN FROM SOON AFTER NIGHTFALL UNTIL AN HOUR OR SO BEFORE DAWN.

TOGETHER THE THREE ATTACKS MADE FORM THE HEAVIEST BLOW BRITISH BOMBERS HAVE YET STRUCK AT GERMANY.

Over each target, there was a concentrated barrage and to reach the objectives in Berlin, the British bombers had to penetrate a continuous curtain of fire.

The attack on Berlin lasted several hours and the British crews were able to pick out the streets, railways and lakes around the city almost as if they had been flying in daylight.

Fragments of shells hit the wings and under-carriage of one British plane but nothing prevented the pilot and bomb-aimer from completing their task. They saw their bombs burst on a target in the centre of Berlin.

## ESCORTED R. A. F. BOMBERS Raid N. France

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—British fighters escorted a bomber squadron across the Channel soon after mid-day to-day to attack the German-occupied aerodrome at Calais, says an Air Ministry communiqué.  
Bombs were seen to burst on the aerodrome and among the aircraft dispersed at one end of it.  
Other fighters carried out offensive patrols over the Channel and northern France during the afternoon and destroyed an enemy fighter.  
An enemy bomber which crossed the south coast was promptly intercepted and shot down into the sea.  
One British fighter is missing from these operations.

## GERMANS BEST PEOPLE

**Goebbels Again**  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Four centuries of German history are in the course of revision, declared Dr. Goebbels, speaking at Vienna on the occasion of the anniversary of the Austrian Anschluss.  
He described Germans as the greatest and roundest people on earth and the German Army as the best in the world.  
There remained the last enemy—England.  
Referring to Vienna's problems, he said that everyone had burdens but they should remember that the Fuehrer bore the greatest burden of them all and was himself a son of Austria.  
**President Pierce Carries Evacuees**  
CHUNGKING, Mar. 13 (Central News).—The U.S. President Pierce left Shanghai for America on Tuesday night with 100 American evacuees on his passenger list. About 70 per cent of them are women and children and there are a number of merchants who travel frequently between China and America.

Many pilots reported immense fires in various parts of the city and the glow in the sky could be seen from 100 miles on the way home.  
One pilot swooped down through the barrage and machine-gunned his objective from just above the roof tops and then flew on to attack the barracks outside the city from the same low level.

## Bremen Plant

An important plant for the manufacture of war material was the chief objective at Bremen where the result of a concentrated attack was among the most spectacular ever reported by British pilots.  
Bursts were seen over the whole area of the works. Many buildings received direct hits and were seen to catch fire.  
Elsewhere in Bremen, says the Air Ministry, the first signs of trouble were long lines of burning incendiaries across industrial objectives and then the buildings themselves were seen to catch fire.

The defences at Bremen were almost as vigorous as those in Berlin and a number of German fighters attempted to intercept the British bombers, there being several inconclusive engagements.

## Hamburg Woken Up

Hamburg too had a sleepless night and just after 10 p.m. the first raiders were dropping their bombs among the docks and shipping yards. Fires flared high and some of the pilots reported seeing them clearly 70 and 80 miles away.

## German Admissions

BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Three were killed and three slightly wounded at Bremen last night, while five were killed and 24 slightly wounded at Hamburg. The report added that the United States Consulate at Hamburg was hit by a high explosive bomb which pierced through to the second story.  
The official news agency has admitted that 16 were killed and 27 wounded in last night's air raid on Berlin, but it was claimed that a total of 10 British planes were shot down over Berlin, Hamburg, and Bremen. At the same time, it was claimed that the attacks were "intentionally directed at residential districts," and that the fires were quickly extinguished with no military damage of importance being caused. Several dwellings were damaged.

## R. A. F. FIGHT BACK 200 RAIDERS

**Attack on Liverpool Fails**  
**Special to the "Telegraph"**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—It is officially estimated that 200 German raiders attacked Liverpool last night, but opposition by waves of R.A.F. fighters kept the damage at a minimum. At daybreak, people were still being rescued from the wreckage and others are still trapped. In one area, two policemen, three fire watchers and three wardens are missing.

## Mr Matsuoka Seeks Pilots And Planes

**Reported Request To Hitler**  
**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Diplomatic sources declare that Mr Matsuoka may ask Hitler to send 1,500 German pilots, and an equivalent number of German planes to Japan, flying to the Japanese bases across Russia and Siberia.

The same sources heard that the Soviets have not granted permission for such a flight and that permission may not be granted.

Mr Matsuoka is said to carry a personal letter from the Emperor to Il Duce and Hitler, but his immediate mission is to request the formation of a German air force in the Orient.

The German Ambassador to Tokyo, Major General Ott, is reported to have already transmitted the Japanese request to Berlin and that Japan is also asking for Soviet assurances.

## Moscow Banquet

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The presence for the second time of M. Molotov at a banquet of the Japanese Embassy in Moscow is regarded in diplomatic circles there as an indication of the progress towards improvement of Soviet-Japanese relations, according to a German official news agency dispatch from Moscow to Berlin.  
The banquet was given by General Tatematsu, the Japanese Ambassador, in honour of M. Molotov.  
M. Vishinsky, the Soviet Deputy Commissar for Foreign Affairs, and other prominent Soviet personalities were present, the dispatch adds.

## 2-Ocean Navy For U. S.

**Knox Gives Evidence**

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was urged by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, Admiral Towers, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, in their testimony before the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee.  
All three warned Congress that the international situation might continue to grow worse from time to time. Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was necessary, because the combined German, Italian and Japanese fleets at the beginning of this year totalled 1,625,000 tons against the 1,250,000 tons of the United States.  
This did not take into account the French ships.

## Widespread Attack

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Soon after dark to-night, enemy bombers were reported to be over many parts of the country, indicating more widespread attacks.  
An alarm was sounded in the London area.  
At a late hour to-night, three Nazi night raiders were reported to have been brought down over the south England coast and one in south England.

## Nazi Pay Dearly

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—British fighters shot down two more enemy aircraft during to-day without loss to themselves.  
This occurred when about dawn this morning a small number of enemy fighters and fighter bombers crossed the south-east coast but did not penetrate very far inland before they were intercepted by British fighters.

A few bombs were dropped but they caused no casualties and little damage.  
Otherwise there was little enemy activity up to noon to-day.

In addition to the nine enemy bombers destroyed in last night's raid, the Air Ministry states that a number of other enemy bombers are known to have been damaged by various means, and that it is possible that several of them failed to return to their bases.

## Crashed With Bombs

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—A German bomber with a full bomb-load was shot down in the south of England shortly after dark to-night. As the machine crashed, the bomb-load went off in a gigantic explosion, smashing the machine to small fragments and killing the crew.  
The explosion of the bombs could be heard 20 miles away.

## CARGO SHIPS FOR BRITAIN American Plan

NEW YORK, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The building of 500 cargo ships for Britain is provided for in the United States Maritime Commission's new emergency programme, according to the "Journal of Commerce."

The Commission is also considering placing the liners Washington and Manhattan on the New York-Lisbon route, replacing the smaller ships at present operating that route, according to the "New York Times."

## Saving Dollars

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Responsibility for between \$300,000,000 and \$350,000,000 worth of unfilled British orders for war material and British-owned facilities for munition production in the United States may be transferred to the United States Government.  
This was disclosed to-day by a high administrative official who stated that negotiations on the subject were proceeding. This would relieve some of the pressure on Britain's efforts to raise dollar exchange.  
It is estimated that British own about \$100,000,000 worth of munition factories and production facilities in the United States.

## Every Inch A Man and A Soldier

Tall, bronzed and smiling, every inch a free man and a great soldier, this youthful member of the Australian Imperial Forces in Palestine typifies the men who have swept Mussolini's troops out of Egypt, Cirenaica and Libya.



## Italians Mown Down In Mass Attacks

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Italians have adopted mass infantry attacks with tremendous forces in a futile attempt to repulse the Greeks on the central front in Albania, according to a Greek press bulletin quoted by the Athens radio.

## Egypt Is Happy In Alliance

**Faith In Democracies**

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's faith in a democratic victory was expressed in an interview with "Reuter" to-day by Egypt's Premier, Hussein Sirry Pasha.

"Egypt has voluntarily ranged herself on the side of the democracies and we have every confidence that the democracies will emerge victorious from the struggle," he declared.

Referring to his talks with Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, he said that Egypt was going to supply Britain with cotton, onions, wheat and rice and that Britain would supply the shipping.

Stressing that Egypt has fulfilled all her obligations under the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, the Premier declared, "With mutual goodwill, which prevails between the two countries who are so closely linked together, no difference will arise. We shall march on together towards ultimate victory."

The mass attacks were supported by heavy artillery bombardment.  
Despite frantic efforts by the Italians, no ground was regained. Finally the Italians were forced to desist and retired, leaving a field strewn with dead and wounded.

Mussolini's presence in Albania is now confirmed, the announcer said. Il Duce has not succeeded in heartening the troops nor in changing the fortune of war.

The announcer added: "Il Duce is returning to Italy on Saturday. His plan was to take back a victory with which to console his disconsolate people. Instead, he will take back one more defeat—the heaviest of his—altogether with the maledictions of the battered Italian Army."

## Rhode Island Again Battered

**Third Nightly Visit**

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers for the third successive night heavily raided enemy aerodrome on the island of Rhodes.  
A communiqué describing last night's raids says that at Amritza all bombs fell on the aerodrome runway or among the hangars. The bombs caused explosions and the fire was visible 20 miles away.

At Calato and Kattania, all the bombs fell on aerodromes. Several explosions and a fire were caused at Scarpanto.

Despite anti-aircraft fire, all aircraft returned safely.

## Bombs Concealed In Legation Luggage

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The fact that the bomb which exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel at Istanbul was surreptitiously added to the British Legation's hand luggage before it left Sofia is confirmed in a report from Mr. George W. Rendell, the former British Minister in Sofia, to the Foreign Office in London.

The report says that two suitcases were placed in the train. They appeared to contain dirty clothing, old newspapers and dry batteries.

After one had exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel, the second was thrown into a pit in open ground by a clerk of the Air Attache, who thus probably averted a second disaster.  
It was later found to contain a powerful charge of T.N.T.  
The report adds: "It is therefore clear that the powerful bombs were added to the Legation Party's luggage before the party left Sofia. It appears probable that the intention was that they should explode in the train which would have wrecked with great loss of life."

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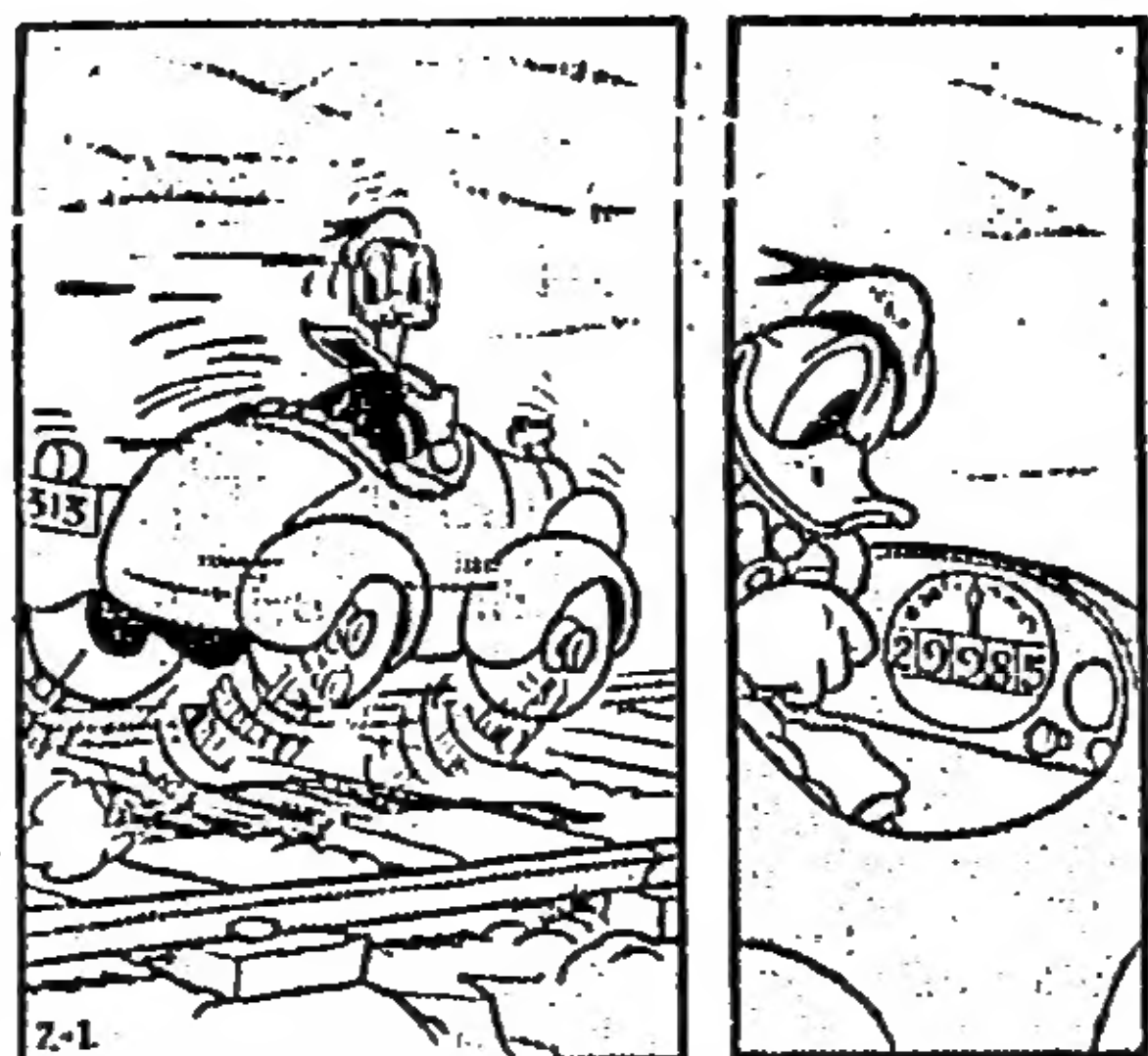
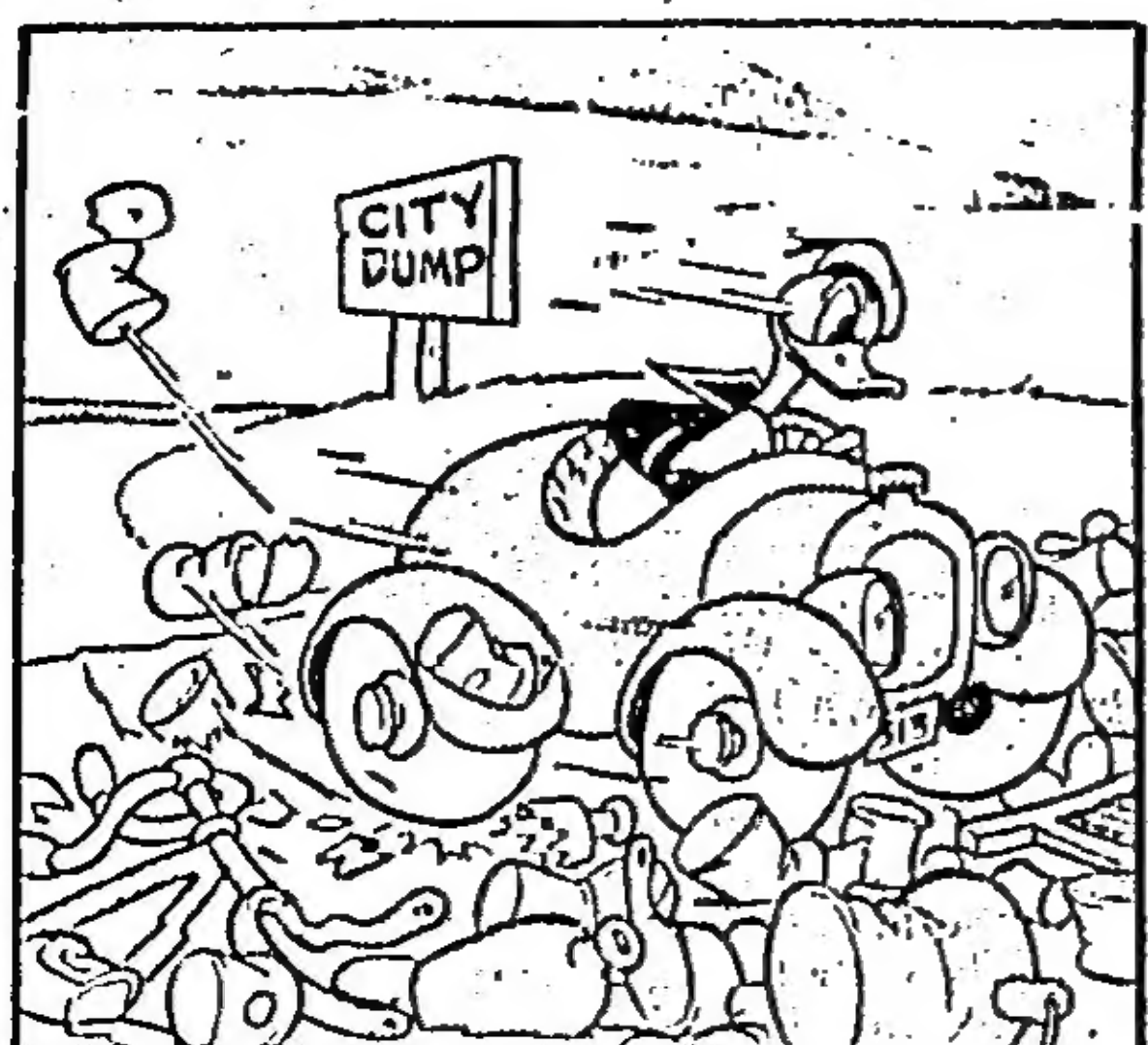
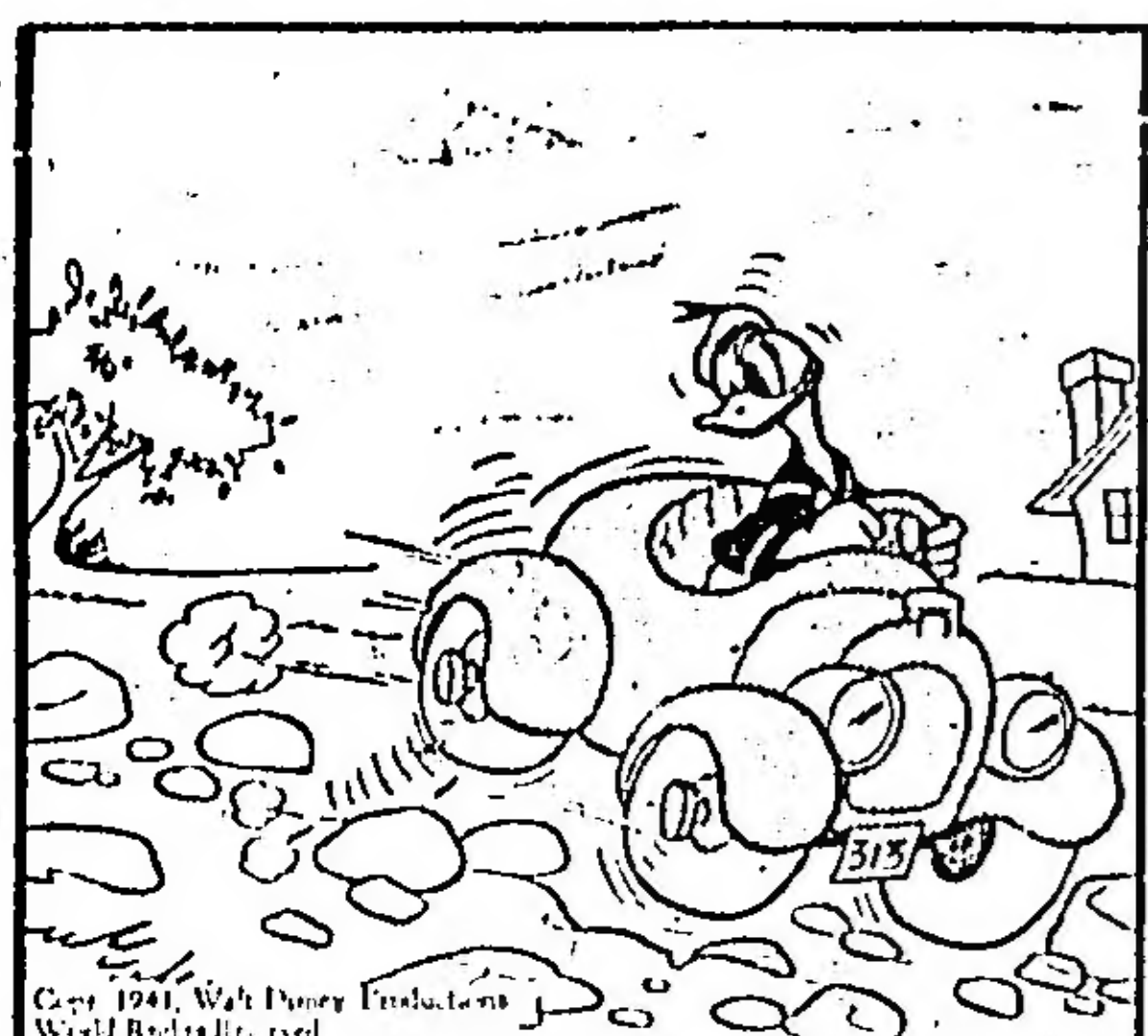
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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

**ACROSS**

- 1—Hindu deity
- 2—Glandular produced fatty matter
- 3—Married woman
- 4—Purified; pertaining to
- 5—Friendship
- 6—Made cold
- 7—Green color
- 8—Climbing plants
- 9—Food; fat
- 10—Become embroiled
- 11—Disinfect
- 12—Artificial language
- 13—Inner personality
- 14—Those who barter
- 15—Divide proportionately
- 16—Act in frenzied manner
- 17—Poolish
- 18—Cut down
- 19—Literary collection
- 20—Love life
- 21—Unity
- 22—Network
- 23—Part of power
- 24—Billboard
- 25—Hat of Mercury
- 26—Decayed
- 27—Through
- 28—Jewel
- 29—Admit to bail
- 30—Diverse fortresses
- 31—Two-dimensional measure
- 32—Tiny bits of matter
- 33—Cushioning device for wheel

**DOWN**

- 1—Practice theft
- 2—The same (Latin)
- 3—Part of speech
- 4—With both legs over
- 5—Rescuers
- 6—Man's name
- 7—Storage place for grain
- 8—Members of western Indian tribe
- 9—Enigma
- 10—Warm
- 11—Mental feeling
- 12—Repeat
- 13—Small whirlpool
- 14—Blot
- 15—In the past
- 16—Indian queen
- 17—Neutral expression
- 18—Take part
- 19—Dog
- 20—Charismatic family
- 21—Shade
- 22—Make changes in
- 23—Unfortunate
- 24—State of view
- 25—Those skilled at law
- 26—Minor island, noted for tobacco
- 27—Observe
- 28—Permit
- 29—Section of track
- 30—Light yellowish brown
- 31—Pendant
- 32—System of accented philosophy
- 33—Skilled
- 34—Graduated circular face
- 35—Bird of prey
- 36—Limbs
- 37—Number of fingers

## Manchester Uncowed By The Blitz

In spite of a "real-bashing" sustained through heavy German air raids on the city, Manchester is uncowed and defiant. A letter received by a leading British trading house in Hongkong from a Manchester firm states that, although the raids have altered the face and contour of the old city, the only alteration to its spirit is to make it even more determined than ever to make an end of Hitler and all that he stands for.

The following excerpts from the letter, which we are privileged to publish, may prove to be of some interest to local commercial circles who have relations with Manchester firms and to the public generally. They show the remarkable spirit of the British people in a time of difficulty and danger, and also reveal how trade, the life-blood of the nation, is being carried on.

## Keep Flag Flying

"Speaking from a purely commercial angle," says the letter, "we are, under obviously difficult and awkward circumstances, doing our best to carry on and keep the flag flying, and we are not ashamed of our efforts in this direction—in fact we are rather proud of ourselves, but we are not overlooking the fact that we have received tremendous help from overseas friends who, appreciating the position, have looked with a blind eye at what under normal circumstances they would have acclaimed with horror as being gross misdemeanours on our part although, in the main, we are surprised ourselves that we have not had to take as many liberties as we visualised that might be necessary.

"Manchester as a whole, and we in particular, have always prided ourselves not only upon the standard of our goods but upon the promptness of our deliveries, and it is in regard to the latter that we have experienced most difficulty.

## Thanks To Navy

"Thanks to the Navy, we are getting good supplies of cotton and, whilst it is no secret that bits and pieces of these have been destroyed by enemy action, there has been no shortage. At the same time, however, a terrific strain has been placed on Lancashire machinery to fulfil those vast supplies of Home and Colonial Government requirements which must necessarily have priority even over export; and, whilst export comes a good second, manufacturers have in many cases found it difficult to keep up to time with some of our orders, but they have really made some noble efforts and, taking it all in all, they have, under exceptionally difficult circumstances, done extraordinarily well.

"From the overseas buyer's point of view, one of the chief bugbears has been the matter of delivery and length of time that it has taken for the goods

to arrive but with the tremendous strain placed upon shipping generally and on certain ports in particular, we are surprised that the authorities have been able to uphold such a service as exists to-day.

## Real Blitz

"During the last few months we have had several visitations from our nocturnal enemy, but it was not until the two nights of Sunday and Monday, December 22 and 23, that we had what is now known as a real 'Blitz' and, even to those who had experience in the last war, this new kind of warfare has really to be seen in order to be believed, because it defies description by any other than an artist.

"That damage was done, and serious damage at that, cannot be denied; but, as usual, the brunt fell upon the civilian and commercial community, and it is indeed sad to see the wanton destruction of famous landmarks that have no bearing on the national war effort and which, under no stretch of the imagination, can be called military objectives.

"To those of you who know Manchester it really hurts to think of the Royal Exchange, Corn Exchange, Cathedral, Free Trade Hall (home of the Halle Concerts), to name but a few of the buildings, destroyed.

"Considering the intensity and the ferocity of the attack, the damage, bad enough though it is, is greatly less than might have been expected; but, what really is important, the damage to the war effort is practically nil, and as long as this remains the case, we, of the civilian army, can—and will—take it.

"Naturally, the whole tenor of our lives is temporarily changed because, as we have mentioned, this war is so different from the last inasmuch as, except for the Middle East, it is the civilian and not the soldier who is in the front line.

## Marvellous Spirit

"To most of us home life is a thing of the past, because nearly every member of our staff is giving, according to their age and fitness, nearly all their spare time to voluntary national service.

"The one thing which we want to impress upon such good friends as yourselves far away in Hongkong is the fact that the spirit of this country is marvellous—in fact, as always, the best of this country has been and is only being seen when up against adversity. "Apart from the trial of nocturnal bombing we live, as you know, under the threat of invasion, and we ask you to believe us when we say that, as far as invasion is concerned, the unanimous feeling is 'let the . . . try it, and the sooner the better, and we will show him!'

## New Zealand Farms Meet War Programme

Substantial success of the New Zealand Government's war-time farm production programme was described recently by the new Agricultural Minister, James G. Barclay. He said the main feature of the programme was increase in animal products, which involved raising larger crops.

He asserted that there had been only one notable failure in this crop schedule. The North Island had been asked to raise 20,000 acres of barley, yet only 5,000 acres were sown.

Crops harvested will be ample to feed the larger flocks which the Dominion now possessed, he added. Lambing last Spring was the highest since 1936, and there are 750,000 more lambs on the farms than last year.

## Milk Foods For Britain

The key production plan of milk foods for Great Britain has been

## POCKET CARTOON



"I'm sorry, signori, but Il Duce he no receive da resignations in da siesta hour."

## Luftwaffe Trying To Fly Higher

By F. G. H. Salusbury

A STRUGGLE for height will provide the greatest technical battle between the R.A.F. and the Luftwaffe in 1941.

The Germans are now devoting particular attention to fast, extremely high-flying bombers.

If they can produce a machine which can, more or less, meet our fighters on level terms, the year will probably see a revival—or an attempted revival—of day bombing in force.

## Chief Attack

It was during the Battle of Britain in the autumn that our fighters drove the German day bomber out of "the sky," and compelled Goering to adopt night bombing as his chief attack.

The Germans have always preferred day bombing, if only for the reason that aircraft whose function is to clear the way for invasion must see what they are doing.

The extreme height aimed at is not ideal for observation or accurate bombing, but it would largely obviate the danger of defending fighters descending on the bombers' backs.

## New Tactics

Clouds of enemy fighters would engage the defenders, while the bombers, flying at a tremendous height, would proceed with the minimum of escort.

The new tactics will, presumably, develop on these lines—if we let them.

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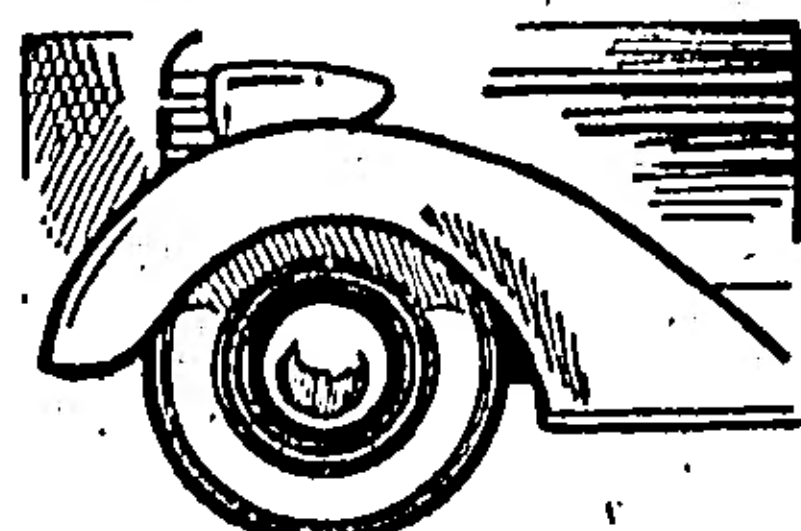


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### GOVERNOR RETURNS

HONGKONG bids welcome to its Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, who has returned from England after a 10-months' absence. The Colony's greeting is warm and sincere, and the occasion made all the happier by the re-assurance that His Excellency has fully recovered from the indisposition which caused him to leave last May.

When Sir Geoffrey arrived in Hongkong to take up his responsible office in November, 1937, it was generally noted by the press that he came at a difficult and delicate time, the Colony being faced with internal problems and external threats sufficient to test the administrative ability and tact of any man. Unhappily, international events have decreed that His Excellency must return to find the Colony facing a situation even more acute than it was three and a half years ago. During the past ten months the situation in the Far East has deteriorated to such an extent that it has been found necessary for the Colony to take the fullest measures of defence. There has been an evacuation of the naval and military families as well as a large proportion of British civilian women and children; compulsory military training has been put into effect; A.R.P. precautions have been trebled; taxation has been considerably increased; for the first time in the Colony's history immigration regulations have been introduced; the Colony has been living, and continues to live, in an atmosphere of tension and wondering expectancy.

His Excellency, however, has been one of the millions at Home who, during the past year, have learnt to "take it," and Hongkong can therefore look forward to calm and inspiring leadership from its chief executive should the future bring new crises and anxieties. On the other hand, Sir Geoffrey can regard, with no little satisfaction, the fact that under the able guidance of Lieut-General E. F. Norton—His Excellency's deputy during the past eight months—Hongkong has attained itself to war needs, has mobilised men and women into efficient defensive units, and generally speaking fitted itself for whatever the future

# THE REAL HEROES

By John Gordon

To the rest of the world the British must seem an extraordinary race. They have performed in the mass during the past year feats of valour probably unequalled in their own history or in the history of any other nation. Yet in their modesty they decline to tell the story of their valour with anything approaching adequacy, or to permit anyone else to do it for them.

Take the instance of the Battle of Britain. On one sunny Sunday afternoon in September the whole fate of the British Empire, and the whole future of the world, depended on about two thousand young men. As the Luftwaffe crossed the Channel to strike what was to be the blow that was to open the way to the invading army, these young men rose in the air and raced it to battle. Before night fell they had smashed Hitler. He has never recovered from that afternoon and he never will.

Those young British airmen that day wrote into history one of history's greatest pages. Yet hardly one person in Britain could tell you to-day the name of one of them. They are anonymous heroes. They will live in legend as anonymous heroes. Is there another nation on earth that could have thrown such a veil round immortality? I doubt it. To be so sure of your strength and greatness that you can be proud of it without boasting of it is surely the perfection of confidence.

You might think that even if they hushed up the story of their mass heroism, the British might pay a public tribute to the outstanding bravery of individuals. But no! They are just as secretive about individuals. Recently, one British air station celebrated the bringing down by its squadrons of their 608th German airplane. No other station has equalled this record. You

might suppose that the Commander of this station, who is adored by his men, as one of the greatest air leaders of the war, would receive public recognition of his triumph. But no! He is too modest.

This modesty seems to run through the whole nation. The first girl to win the new George Medal for bravery in Civil Defence was an office typist. Almost without training she found herself in the middle of one of those terrifying air raid dramas which officially the British refer to as "an incident".

She carried out a series of rescues with the utmost calmness and bravery. Shortly afterwards, when awarded her medal, she was asked what her feelings had been. She replied modestly. "At the end of the day I thought to myself this has been a most unpleasant day".

A truly heroic understatement, but typically British.

These civilian air raid defence forces have become a most remarkable body. No soldiers in the field have exceeded in pluck or in discipline the magnificent women who on pitch black nights, with fire bombs and high explosives crashing down all around them, carry the victims of raiders from the bombed houses to the hospitals. Some of them are girls of 18, some middle-aged mothers of families. They go about their work in pairs with no man to support them. Some have died, many have been wounded, but there is hardly a record of one giving up. They see the most appalling side of war, grievously wounded babies, and frenzied mothers, the bodies being carried from the ruins of homes, and the bodies too, that cannot be carried away.

The other evening, while London was being raided, when the whole sky was lit by fires, and bombs seemed to be dropping by the hundred, I stood with two of these ambulance girls beside a rubble heap that ten minutes before had been a happy home. Only one high side wall was still standing.

From the middle of the rubble came a muffled cry. We scrambled across the stones shouting "Where are you?" A girl's voice answered, "Here." "How many?" we shouted. "Five," she said. "We are under a table which is holding up the stones".

We stepped back into the dark road to call a demolition squad to the rescue. As we did so the standing side wall fell with a crash on the spot where the five victims lay burying them hopelessly. Five lives more to the war account.

A few minutes later both girls were in their ambulance carrying a screaming woman to the First Aid Post. I saw them many times more that night. They told me several stories of their subsequent adventures, some moving, some amusing. But I was struck by the fact that they never once mentioned how they themselves had escaped death. They were as uncomplaining as the heroism as are their men in the air.

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may hold. Lieut-General Norton can hand back the reins of government to Sir Geoffrey in the full knowledge that he has accomplished a difficult task with impressive speed and efficiency.

## Ominous Rumbblings from Vesuvius!



## Tell them now about

# OUR NEW ORDER

By Lady Rhondda

If the Press is the Fourth Estate of the Realm, propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied countries is in war-time the fourth Service arm.

It is not surprising, therefore, that although it is just about as difficult to follow the details of our overseas propaganda as to follow the details of the movements of our fleet, the public takes a very considerable interest in how that propaganda is done. It ought to.

There is a widespread impression that up to now it has not been done as well as it might have been. That is pretty certainly true.

But I do not think our propaganda has deserved all the hard things that have been said about it.

Parts of it have been excellent. It has shown one great merit, perhaps the greatest of all. The facts have been given soberly, honestly and without exaggeration.

### Truthful News

It is an enormous thing to have achieved for our news service that it is to-day the one European news service in which the whole world believes.

I have sometimes heard it argued that the success of our news service is enough. That to give the facts is all that we need to do. But it is not.

People are apt to talk as if there were something inherently dishonest about propaganda.

This is nonsense. Propaganda is not in the least inherently dishonest. Its morality depends upon what you are talking about—and why. And on whether you tell the truth about it.

But obviously before you can do propaganda you must have something to talk about, and it must be worth talking about.

### Where We Fail

And that brings me to the chief thing which has, I think, been wrong with our propaganda up to date. Insofar as we have failed to put our point of view across it has been because we had never properly formulated it even to ourselves.

In the first place, whom is our propaganda for? It is for the countries now dominated by Germany—Poland, Norway, Holland, the civilisation for which we are land and the rest. It is for the people inside Germany. And it is for the people who are prepared to fight sooner than be dominated by Germany.

What do these countries want?

They want freedom and they want security and peace. That is, they want above all to be assured that this kind of thing is not going to happen again.

### We're Too Modest

Now in her New Order Germany offers them two out of the three things they ask for. She offers them peace, and a kind of security: that is, she offers them an assurance that this war will not begin again.

True, the peace is the peace of a desert. True, the New Order is order under the heel of the conqueror. But men can come to such a pass, such a state of hopeless misery and despair, that even peace in Hell seems worth the taking.

When we answer Germany by saying to these small nations, "You shall all have your independence back when we win. Europe shall revert to the thirty or so completely sovereign states of which she consisted before the war," is it surprising if they give a sigh of despair?

For they know very well that not one of them can defend their sovereignty when they get it.

The fact is that in the past we have shown ourselves to be much too modest.

"Germany," said Professor Madariaga recently, "wants to dominate the world," and he added hopefully, "Great Britain wants to organise it."

"Hopefully," because that is exactly what Britain has always tried to avoid doing, and she does not even yet seem to realise that if we are ever to have lasting peace that is just what she must make up her mind to do.

But I am quite sure that unless we do organise Europe at least, Germany will dominate it. If not in 1941, then in 1951.

Our trouble in the past, as I say, is that we have been too modest. For we—and America—could organise the world if we chose. If we—and America—were first to make up our minds what we proposed to do, and then to tell other nations what we meant to do, we might get a comparatively low cost a lasting peace.

What we should tell them, I think, is that we propose to establish both at home and abroad the civilisation for which we are now fighting.

We should add that we hope and believe that all our Allies will be of the same mind as ourselves in this matter, and that we shall welcome their active help in our task.

That we hope and believe the majority of the people of Germany will, when they have thrown off their present rulers, also be of the same mind as to what constitutes civilisation. But that whether they are or not will make but little difference.

For that civilisation is what in any case we propose to establish—in detail at home, and in its broad principles wheresoever our writ runs. And that in future any country which attempts to break its fundamental laws will have to reckon with America and with Britain.

### Policing The World

The policing of the world (yes, that is what it comes to) will be a perfect curse to us, and to America, of course. But not half the curse that this war is.

The establishment in Great Britain of the civilisation for which we are fighting (and it would obviously be quite impossible to take the lead in establishing civilisation abroad unless we were first prepared to set an example at home) will involve making this island into a real Democracy.

As Herbert Morrison remarked the other day, "It is high time that we outgrow our economic swaddling clothes, and the system of social inequality and privilege that accompanies them."

The establishment of that civilisation in broad outline throughout Europe will not involve any interference with the internal affairs of other nations except in so far as they interfere with those of their neighbours.

### A Lead For Peace

But we shall have to say that we do regard as interference, any economic laws calculated to upset the easy functioning of the internal economy of Europe; any attempt at aggression by military or economic methods. And lastly, that we shall regard as interference with its neighbours any bullying or torturing by any country of its own minorities.

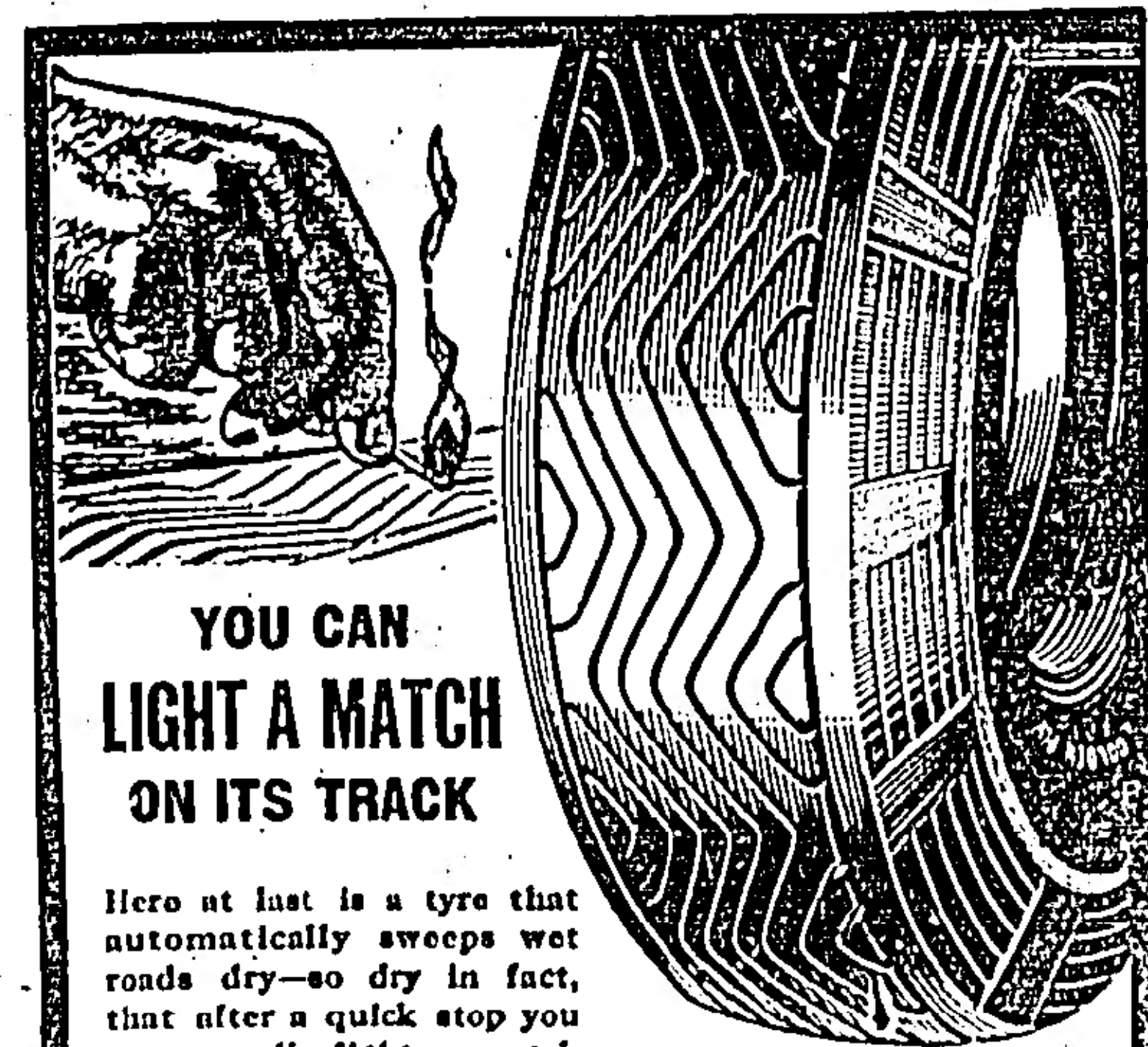
There must be no more pogroms or concentration camp brutalities, for they are the kind of things that lead to wars. And we do not propose to permit practices that are likely to lead to wars.

We—and America—are the leaders of the civilised world, and it is the business of leaders to lead in peace as well as in war. Until we get that into our heads we shall inevitably fail in our propaganda, because we shall have no propaganda to put across.

Before you have propaganda you must have a policy. And once you have the right policy your propaganda just makes itself.

All we need is the courage to realise what we shall inevitably have to do if we are ever to know real peace. And, secondly, the courage to tell the world that we mean to do it.

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## HONGKONG INTERPORT XI



Hongkong Hockey XI.—K. Hussain (Umpire), V. C. Bond, A. E. P. Guest (Umpire), V. M. Benwell, J. Goncalves, H. L. Ozorio, Gurbachan Singh. Front row: Karminder Singh, R. Marques, B. Gosano, W. A. Reed, W. Brown and N. Whitley.

### The Melbourne Cup

## The Main Event On Programme

### Baffin Bay Favoured

THE MELBOURNE CUP was inaugurated the year when a consignment of 20 Australian subscription ponies raced for the first time in Hongkong at the 1931 Annual Carnival.

Following is a list of winners since the inception:		Jockey		Distance	Time
Pony	Weight	1 1/2 miles	From Two Mile Post, once round		
1931 Woodland Stag	158 lb.	Quiney	1 1/2 miles	2:29 1/2	
1932 Woodland Stag	166 "	Quiney	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1933 Woodland Stag	166 "	Frost	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1934 Woodland Stag	160 "	Frost	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1935 Able Amazon	160 "	H. S. Li	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1936 Bag Tor	160 "	Proulx	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1937 Stratroy	151 "	Black	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1938 Electron	154 "	Needa	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1939 Lucky Lad	154 "	Needa	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	
1940 Lucky Lad	154 "	Needa	1 1/2 miles	2:34 1/2	

It will be seen from the above that the mighty Woodland Stag annexed the Melbourne Cup four years in succession, and there was no doubt that the bay measuring 14.1 hands was a great carrier of weights.

It was not a handicap event, but in 1932 the weight was 152 lb. and winners at any time of one race 5 lb. penalty, of two races 10 lb., of three or more races 14 lb.

Being a winner of several races, the pony had to shoulder 166 lb. for two years, but in 1934 the weight was lowered to 160 lb. with the same ratio of extra poundage for winners. In the first three years Woodland Stag was owned by the original subscriber, the late Mr. Chan Tin-son, and the last of his racing career was in Mr. L. Dunbar's colours. However, the weight was brought down to 140 lb. in 1937.

In 1935 Able Amazon carrying 160 lb. established a record time of 1:59 1/2 over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, and it was certainly a creditable performance.

The run for the last four years has been over the champion course of 1 1/2 miles, but to-morrow the distance of

this classic event has been lengthened to two miles.

The weight is same, commencing at 140 lb. for non-winners, but a ban has been placed on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941, and this has only put a full stop to the entry of Distant View, Sapper and United Express.

### Good Nominations

THE Cup has undoubtedly attracted a few good nominations for this valuable first prize of \$2,000 and a fairly representative field should face the start. Though class does not predominate among the entry, we have some useful stayers in the contest and a good race is assured.

Baffin Bay (winner of 1939 Fremantle St. Leger), Brutus of 1941 Ladies Purse over two miles, Far View of 1940 Rosty-Hill Derby, Marsh Warbler of 1941 Austral Hopeful Stakes over 1 1/2 miles, Plegadilly Jim of two handicap events of two miles in 1939, and Triumphant Day of 1939 Rosty-Hill Derby, are definitely accepting. Fleeting is sure starter with Mr. Poy in the saddle and so will Viceroy with Mr. Black up. My best three are Baffin Bay, Far View and Marsh Warbler.

# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## First Extra Meeting

### Nine Events: Randwick Plate Divided Into Four Sections

THE FIRST EXTRA Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley with a proviso "weather permitting" and there are the usual nine events to be contested.

With a "mute Royal Observatory" no one can predict what sort of a weather we are going to have, but with heavy clouds prevailing at time of writing coupled with white horses in the harbour, it is almost certain as daylight on the morrow that the grass track will be soft, but not heavy.

The important event of to-morrow's racing in point of class is the Melbourne Cup over two miles for all Australian ponies with a ban on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941. It is a valuable event, for the first prize is worth \$2,000 to the winner with \$750 and \$500 respectively for the two lower positions in the semaphore.

The Randwick Plate for non-winning Australian subscription ponies of this season has attracted no less than 62 nominations, but the entries have been drawn into four sections, and the first prize in each division is \$1,000.

This means that the field will not be cramped with over a dozen runners in each section, and there is a golden opportunity for those placed ponies to make friends.

It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. Eric Moller's string of over a dozen fine animals will not be returning to Shanghai until after the first half racing season, and Mr. Peter Wei has been entrusted to pilot the stable.

### The Curtain Raiser

FIRST saddling bell will be rung at 1:30 p.m. when the first section of the Randwick Plate will be the curtain raiser. The run is over the mile. Among the sixteen drawn in this section there should not be any difficulty to spot the winner, for Jus Gentium is head and shoulders above the rest.

We need not consider Vitamin M, who is under a cloud, and I doubt either Araxys II or Seal River will be a menace to Mr. S. W. Lee's candidate.

It is learned that the champion Jockey will ride Jus Gentium and the combination will no doubt be a hot favourite.

### First Leg Of Daily Double

THE FIRST LEG of the daily double event is on the Randwick Plate (third section) for Australian subscription ponies, and the contest, I am afraid, is going to be a tame affair. Black Seal should have an easy run with The Koala Bear and Bendigo to follow in the rear.

### SPORTS ADVT.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) commencing at 2:00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1:30 p.m.

#### MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

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No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

#### PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. D. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

### Macao Racing Postponed

The next race meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, originally scheduled for March 23, has been postponed to April 6.

### Badminton Championship Commences

FIRST MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championships were played at King's College last night. These were:

Senior Singles  
P. K. Hooi beat S. Amplavanan 15-5, 15-7.  
Junior Singles  
J. L. Anderson beat H. Weng-toh 15-10, 18-16.  
Junior Doubles  
T. S. Young and M. K. Fung beat D. Chelliah and K. H. Khoo 18-16, 12-15, 15-8.

Hooi was far superior to Amplavanan in court-craft. The latter had a fine turn of speed, and was equally adept in the various shots of the game, but he was opposed to a player who had excellent command of direction, and in this he was eventually defeated.

As can be seen from the score, Hooi was never pressed. His steadiness carried him through several of the interesting duels, for his defence was ever a foil to Amplavanan's speed and smushing.

### Doubles Duel

THE DOUBLES match produced some of the most exciting moments of the evening. Young and Fung took the first game, after setting at 12-11, lost the second in an equally close struggle, but in the third triumphed through greater stamina. Young was the better of the winners, but Chelliah, with a fine touch and control, was the best on the court. With better support from Khoo the match would easily have gone the other way.

### Junior Singles

J. L. ANDERSON, though victorious, did not have matter all his own way against H. Weng-toh. The former, with better strategy, took several points when the latter was hopelessly out-positioned. It was, in fact, Anderson's better control and clever mixing of his shots that carried him through a close match.

The second game was anybody's until after it had been settled at 13-11.

### Derby And Oaks May Be Run At Newbury

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—For the first time in its history the Derby will be run at Newbury, probably on the Saturday of a meeting fixed for June 6 and 7, with the Oaks on the first day of the meeting.

The stewards have arranged, according to the racing calendar, for the fixtures at the Newbury meeting, but do not say which race will be held on which day, though a reliable authority gives the Derby for the more popular day, Saturday.

It has also been decided to hold the Ascot races at the Newmarket meeting of June 28 and 29.

### "Y" Hockey Teams

Following will represent the Y.M.C.A. at hockey on the "Y" ground on Saturday:—  
1st XI v. Khalsa (4.15 p.m.)—Benwell, Taylor, Yourieff, Jordan, Coombes, Waldron, Spence, Moxon, Hillecock, Ure, Dunne.  
2nd XI v. A Navy XI (3 p.m.)—Clegg, Hutton, Stoby, Smith, Tomlinson, Gorman, Macy, Olsen, Dormer, Fancey, Banks.

### Randwick Plate Second Section

### Corsair Has Chance To Finish First

IN A FIELD OF 24 runners, which was a record for Australian ponies, Corsair finished third behind A Surprising Time and Black Seal in the Flemington Plate (first section) over the mile.

I have great confidence that the mare by Fleuriste will run away with the second section of the Randwick Plate and it is hoped that Corsair will not let me down.

It is interesting to recall that Jus Gentium, whom I have tipped for the opening event, and Corsair are the offspring by the same sire.

Bonn Vacantia and Daylight are good for places.

Much was expected of Sydney Diamond, but, as the precious stone has cost the public too much money, it would be advisable to leave the chestnut alone.

The pony is a nice galloper and it would interest one to know whether Sydney Diamond is a stalker. The other alternative is perhaps that he does not like a muddy course.

### Loiterers Stakes

### CHARLESBER CHALLENGED

THERE ARE 13 entries for the Loiterers Stakes confined to China pony griffins of this season over six furlongs.

I have reason to believe that Charlesber is not a sprinter and the stallion will have to be at his best to stave off the strong challenge of Wonderful Scheme who is well keyed for the fight.

As a place-getter Iron Beauty is recommended, but for a big dividend Lovely View is worth following.

### Second Leg Of Daily Double

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double event is on the Broadmeadows Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile and the winner is to receive \$1,000.

With Caterick Bridge and Centre Court out of the road, Venus Bay should not have any trouble making her acquaintance with the judge.

However, strong opposition may come from either Bruno, Cheerful Star or Cocklerol, Mr. Needa on Venus Bay is sure to give a fine exhibition of hard riding against the front line invaders.

### L. Karpovich Leads Chess Tournament

L. KARPOVICH maintains his lead in the Colony Chess Championship. He beat G. S. Coxhead last night after a 6 1/2 hours' game, the latter resigning on the 78th move. G. Zimmermann, last year's runner-up, led third in the table to date, beat K. Weiss.

Present standings are:  
L. Karpovich ..... 6 1/2 points  
M. Sequeira ..... 4 1/2 points  
E. Zimmermann ..... 3 1/2 points  
G. Coxhead ..... 3 points  
K. Weiss ..... 2 points  
Curvallo ..... 1 1/2 points

### Junior Matches

In the Junior Tournament, A. Y. Biriukoff beat A. Kurrik; Un Kwai-yung beat V. V. Kolchotoff; J. Grefalda beat A. Morton; and J. Tausz beat J. H. D'Almeida.

### Race Horses Burned To Death In Manila Fire

MANILA, Mar. 12.—Four race horses belonging to Elias Cordiales, better known to racing fans as Jockey Elias, were burned to death late last night in a fire which destroyed six houses in barrio Baclaran, Paranaque.

The fire started in the house of Jockey Elias, but its origin could not be determined. Police estimated total damage at P5,000. Two persons were taken for investigation.

The horses, Anukag, Marathon, Remichet and Novatos, were tied under Elias' house by their grooms, Manuel Eguerria and Diosdado Vasquez, who were asleep when the fire started. They could have been saved, police said, but the blaze had spread before the grooms were awakened.

Anukag, which ran its last race Sunday, was valued at P2,000. The other three were priced at P250 each.

## MACAO INTERPORT XI



The Victorious Macao XI.—Back row: F. Nolasco, Albert Airoso, P. Angelo Jr., L. Costa and R. Angelo. Centre row: J. Nolasco, Alex Airoso and J. Silva. Kneeling.—J. Ferreira, C. Capitule and A. Basto.

### Moonee Ponds Handicap

### Stake Money Increased For "B" Class Australians

IN THE MOONEE PONDS Handicap for "B" class Australian ponies I expect to see a big field, and there are, no doubt, several good milers in the list of entries. Last year the first prize stake money for "A" class raters was \$600 whereas to-morrow the winner is to receive \$1,000. We shall certainly see a good tussle.

### Oakleigh Plate For Non-winning Australians

THERE ARE 18 entries for the Oakleigh Plate confined to non-winning Australian imported griffins over a mile.

The stable belonging to Lee Bros heads the list with five candidates and they cost the owners a total sum of \$12,550.

During the five days of annual meeting they were only able to collect an aggregate of \$1,600 and the stake money was contributed by Louis Stand (\$500), Nemine Poenne (\$500) and Vis Major (\$600).

If Oracle weighs out to-morrow, their chances for premier place are not bright. Prairie View is the most dangerous pony to upset all calculations.

Looking over the handicaps, it is not easy to pick the winner, but I rate Conniehor, Pumpernickel, Rowan and Vixen Tor as four dangerous candidates.

The last named is getting no younger, for the mare was of 1935 class, and the brown will be somewhat handicapped with the absence of Mr. Noodi as her pilot.

Rowan ran a very bad race in the Bendigo Handicap and it seemed that the sloppy track was the cause of her failure.

I like Pumpernickel provided, of course, the Jockey can keep the bay to the coast instead of running out at the band.

### A TIGHT FINISH

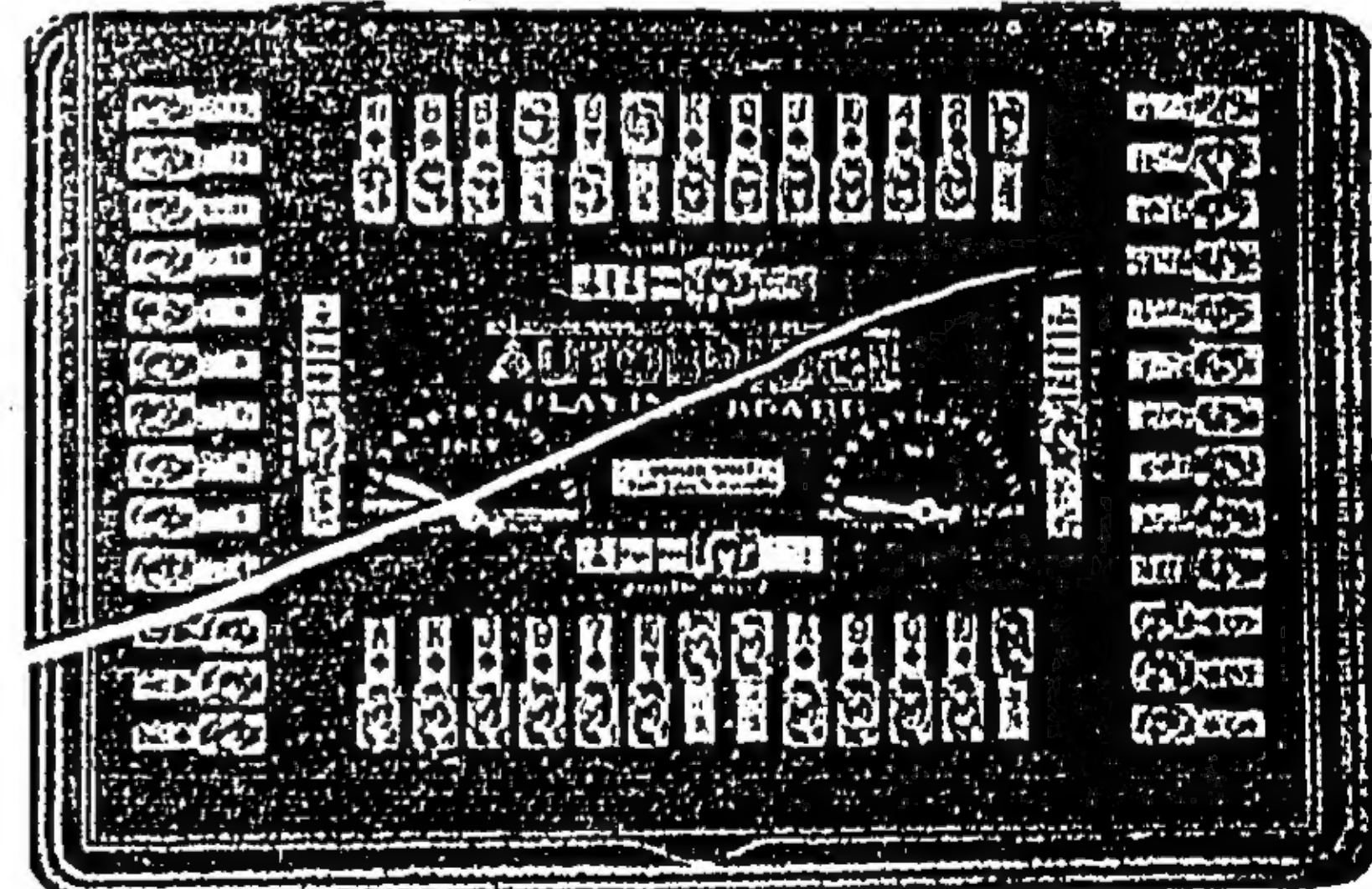
THE RANDWICK PLATE (fourth section) for Australian sub-griffins should result in a tight finish between A Rosy Time, Optima Fide and Sydney Lady. The first named pony is my fancy.

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# NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## Germans Set Up Second Dachau in the Pyrenees

There is a second Dachau—the Nazi concentration camp in Bavaria—in a small village in the Basses Pyrenees, near Pau. The camp is five miles from the demarcation line, and German officers and commissions of various kinds frequently go over to see that their instructions are carried out.

The camp, which originally accommodated Republican Spaniards seeking refuge in France, was in May the chief concentration camp for German women in France. Now it is the main camp in France of Germans of both sexes.

The inmates are of two kinds: those previously interned in camps like St Cyprian and St Germain Les Bains and those direct from Germany. There are Jews and Liberals, mainly from the Palatinate and Baden.

### Herded Like Cattle

Hundreds of French men, and women saw trainloads of people from Germany driven out of trucks like cattle at Oloron station. There were old and infirm persons, epileptics, sufferers from other diseases, and a sprinkling of those whom past sufferings had driven mad.

Their departure from Germany was hasty, and there was every sign of disorganization. A seven-months-old baby arrived without parents, and there were hundreds of cases of wives without husbands and vice versa.

Many did not have an opportunity to take the barest necessities. Transport conditions were such that when the human wreckage was unloaded four were dead. The Germans usually take the precaution of removing bodies before the prisoners arrive in the unoccupied zone.

Other prisoners died from pneumonia after their arrival. The Germans ordered the French not to help the prisoners in any way. If anything is done it is carried out secretly, but the French guards are in terror of the visits of the German commissioners.

There are about 13,000 prisoners in the camp. They are in sections, but there is no contact between them.

### In Quarantine

There is typhus in one section, which is in quarantine. The sufferings of people there are terrible. General conditions are bad, and food insufficient.

Restrictions that ensure that these conditions will continue have been imposed. Living conditions are cramped and uncomfortable. There are no rats in the huts, which are infested with vermin. Hygienic conditions are almost non-existent.

Prisoners continue to arrive in large numbers without warning, and the French authorities have no time to prepare anything. Many prisoners die from exposure.

Each sector is surrounded by barbed wire. It is estimated that the camp can accommodate 22,000 people, and it sometimes takes even a visiting priest two hours to see a particular inmate.

## Young Officer and Wife Found Dead in Embrace

In the flat in Brighton from which they were married two and a half years ago, Second Lieutenant Alfred Felix Deparmentier Worsfield de la Bere, aged thirty-seven, and his twenty-seven-year-old wife, Sybil, were found dead recently clasped in each other's arms.

Friends told a "Daily Express" reporter stories of "wild parties" at the flat—in Vernon-terrace, Brighton—where the couple were host and hostess. They welcomed all friends with a drink, and had a "spohole" in the door of their flat so that they would know who was outside.

When the couple were found a gas tube lay near them.

On the wall over her bed was a crucifix which Mrs de la Bere once said was made from the wood of the Cross at Calvary.

The husband adopted his wife's maiden name—her father was the Rev. John de la Bere, of Woolfardisbury, Devon—when they were married in June 1938 at Brighton Register Office.

### Russian Honeymoon

At the ceremony which followed at the Brighton Chapel Royal the bride wore a veil on which her husband had painted flowers. They went to Russia for their honeymoon.

As a wedding gift Mr de la Bere, who was a brilliant architect—some of his drawings were hung at the Royal Academy—completely reconstructed an old Sussex manor house which was reputed to be haunted.

He spent thousands of pounds on the house, its furnishing and its grounds. The bathroom alone, which was lined with aquarium tanks, cost hundreds. In the grounds were kept two bears which cost him fifty guineas each.

But they never lived there. He had several car crashes and had bought three new cars in eighteen months.

In his last accident he broke a leg. He was taken to the Vernon-terrace flat, where his wife had lived when single, and there she nursed him through a long illness.

### Army Took House

There they received news that their dream house had been taken over by the military.

One friend said: "They were a

charming couple and devoted to each other.

"After he left to join his unit—he volunteered and was given a commission—she seemed very lonely. Once she sent a note to me to ask me to visit her with a puppy they had given me because, she said, she had 'the blues'."

"She said to me: 'If my husband should die I should not want to live.' Although both had received legacies I think they had got through the money quickly. His illness cost them hundreds and they were both generous."

## Loyal Regiment Competition

### Moustache Growing

OFFICERS and men of the Loyal Regiment, now at Singapore, who entered the moustache-growing competition, begun in December by their Commanding Officer Lieut.-Col. M. Elrington, have made their appearance before the judges.

The winner of the competition was Private F. Burton, of "A" Company, who is now \$5 richer as a result of the Commanding Officer and Capt. T. R. Brook, the adjutant of the Regiment, announcing him the "champion" by "a long hair."

The finalists after the Trooping the Colour ceremony in commemoration of the Loyal's 20th anniversary.

The ginger-haired upper lip adornment of Private G. Crithern, of Headquarters Company, brought him the second prize of \$3, while the third prize of \$1 went to Bandman J. O'Connell, also of Headquarters Co.



## BOMB ON ST. PAUL'S—

—damaged the High Altar during a recent raid. The bomb pierced the roof (above). Below: Broken masonry on the Altar Steps. Full story on Page Three.



## Home Guard Hit Airman, Fined £25

A 65-YEAR-OLD Home Guard who was said to have fractured an airman's skull with the butt of a rifle was fined £25 at Devon Quarter Sessions recently.

Edwards Lacy Scully, of Torquay—a staff major in the last war—was accused of inflicting grievous bodily harm by using more force than necessary.

In October he saw Flying-Officer Jack C. G. Saril and a young woman friend inside a prohibited area.

Scully challenged them in an offensive way, it was alleged, then fetched a rifle and struck the Air Force officer twice.

Scully said that in the last war he served on Headquarters Staff in France and Italy.

### "Shut Up"

He warned Saril and the woman to keep away from the prohibited area, but they started to climb a fence.

Challenged a second time, Saril said, "Shut up."

He fetched his unloaded rifle and jabbed Saril with the butt.

Scully was found guilty, but the jury recommended leniency because of his age and loyal service.

Announcing the fine, the chairman said he bore in mind that Scully served with distinction in the last war.

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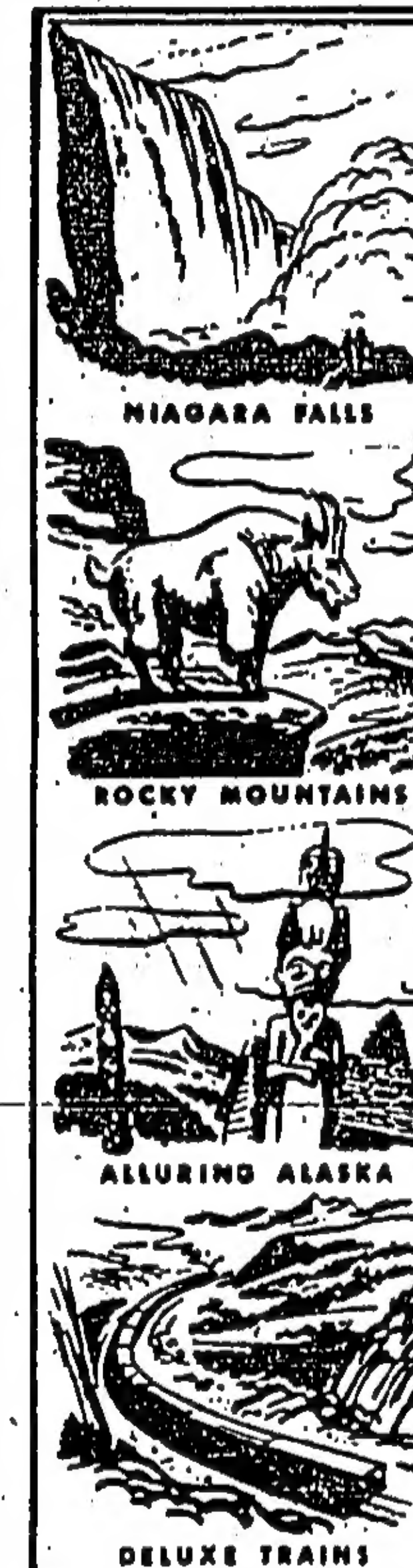
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## Portion of Peiping Language School Being Moved to Baguio

Plans to remove a portion of the Peiping College Chinese language studies institution to Baguio, the summer capital of the Philippines, were disclosed recently. The institution has been maintained in Peiping for many years by various American missions in China for teaching newly arrived missionaries the Chinese language.

While removal plans are not yet complete it is understood that the institution is planning to send a staff of five Chinese teachers to the Philippine mountain resort where youthful American missionaries destined for China and coming to the Orient in the future would be sent for language study prior to assuming their duties in China.

The removal plan is the result of the war in China and Japanese control of North China. It is said that local administrators of the school

consider it undesirable to teach newly-arrived missionaries the language of China under such conditions.

The Rev. John Hayes, an official of the school, is now in Manila investigating possibilities of successfully operating the school in Baguio. The school officials are awaiting his report prior to undertaking the establishment of a Baguio branch.

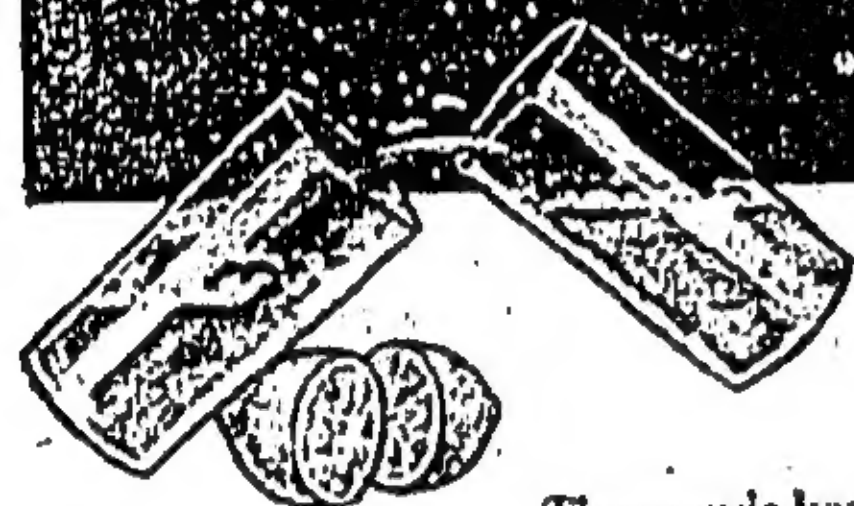
It was unofficially disclosed that Philippine immigration authorities are proving a stumbling block in the desired movement of the school to Baguio. The Manila authorities are alleged to have refused permission for the Chinese teachers to enter the Islands.



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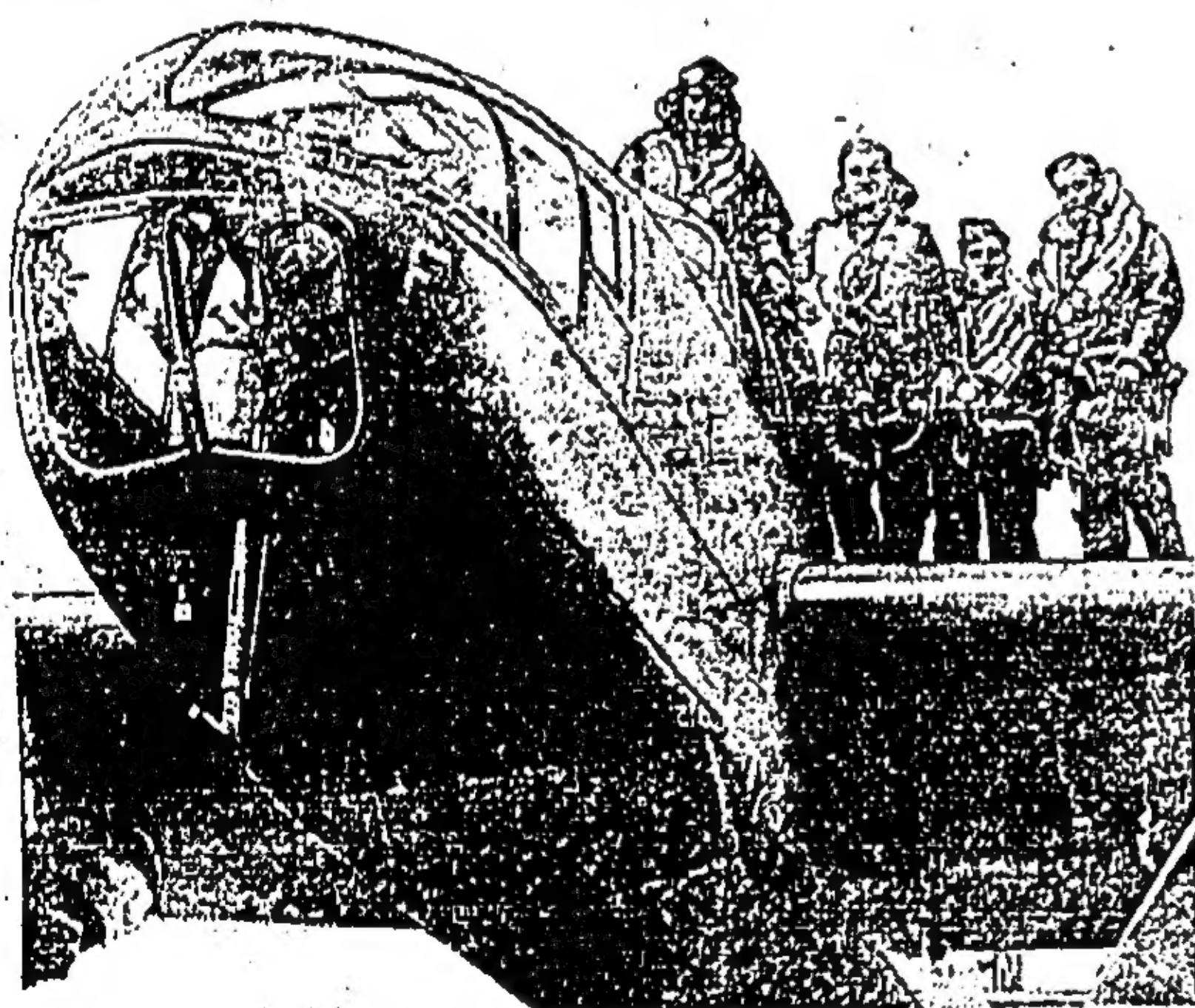
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## WEYGAND FIRST URGED PEACE

Vichy Pamphlet  
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The bitter tone of recrimination against Britain which characterised so many earlier French utterances and writings is absent from a Vichy Government-approved pamphlet telling the inside story of events leading up to the French collapse.

M. Charles Riebel, a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Senate, is the author.

M. Riebel reveals that it was Gen. Weygand, successor to Gen. Gamelin as Commander of the French forces, who, as early as June 7, first urged the Government to ask for an armistice. Weygand hoped to save Paris, avoid the evacuation of the Government, and forestall a declaration of war by Italy. On June 12 Weygand again urged an armistice to prevent the complete destruction of the French army.

Divisions were reduced to two or three battalions and men were dropping from fatigue and lack of sleep. The Cabinet, however, remained unshakable.

The next day, after the Supreme Council had met and learned that Mr. Churchill was unable to promise more than three divisions and 72 guns, M. Reynaud's Cabinet still refused to accede to Gen. Weygand's demand.

### Flight To Africa Plan

M. Riebel says that the Cabinet had two plans. It intended either to flee to Brittany and be ready to leave for the United States, if necessary, or go first to Bordeaux and then to Africa.

The pamphlet says that France rejected the British plea not to surrender her fleet because, on that condition, Germany would never have granted an armistice.

Gen. Gamelin's incompetence is branded as chiefly responsible for defeat. President Lebrun is stated to have said to M. Riebel after the Government's flight to Tours: "Would you believe it? Gamelin came to see me only a few days before we left Paris, praised his own strategy, and said that he would have done exactly the same if he were beginning the campaign over again."

## BRITAIN MAKING MORE SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS

A triumph over their German rivals is announced by Britain's scientific instrument makers.

Before the war Canada invited the world to compete for a surveying aneroid required by the Dominion's Geographical Survey Department. They asked for an accuracy of 0.02 inches of mercury. The Germans said it was impossible. They flatly refused to try.

British decided to tackle the job. Two years' special research have been put in on it, and now the makers are able to disclose the fact that they have done ten times better than they were asked to do. They have achieved not the 0.02 inches of accuracy but 0.002, or one-tenth of the error allowed by the specification. "We lost heavily on it," said a member of the firm, "but the research we did has been of immense value."

### New Customers

To-day Britain's supremacy in making scientific instruments is shown by the world demand for them. Among her wartime customers are Argentina, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

The latest figures are eloquent of Britain's new supremacy. Before the war she was exporting about one-third the quantity of scientific instruments sold by her German rivals. During the first nine months of 1940, she sent overseas more than £200,000 worth, an actual increase of almost £100,000 over the first nine months of 1939.

## President's Wife Fights Colour Bar

In February, 1939, Mrs Franklin D. Roosevelt led a nationwide protest against the Daughters of the American Revolution when the DAR refused to allow Marian Anderson, great Negro contralto, to give a concert in Constitution Hall at Washington, which the DAR owns.

A few weeks ago, Mrs Roosevelt, who resigned from the DAR after the Anderson episode, heard the Golden Gate Quartet, four Negroes whose heavenly harmonising has made them night club, radio and phonograph record stars.

Later, it was announced that the Golden Gate Quartet would sing at the Inaugural Gala, in Constitutional Hall, still in Washington and still owned by the DAR. The Gala was one of the most important social gatherings of the inauguration celebration.



## Scrap For 300 Destroyers

Half a million tons of scrap iron and steel—enough to build 300 destroyers or 7,000 heavy tanks—will, it is expected, be discovered as a result of the national survey of derelict properties, being made by the Ministry of Supply Iron and Steel Control.

Local government officials of more than 3,000 bodies are carrying out the survey. An index is being prepared of old buildings, mines, bridges, machinery, railway tracks and other property, where the scrap metal can be obtained.

Railway tracks laid by German prisoners in the last war have been listed, and the survey includes waste material from buildings which have been damaged in air raids.

THE PILOT of an R.A.F. machine talking with a Greek soldier after landing at an airport in Greece.

## New Plane Location Finder

Commercial aviation has advanced another step forward with the announcement that United Air Lines, oldest air transportation in the United States, has perfected an aeroplane location finder after more than four years of research and development work.

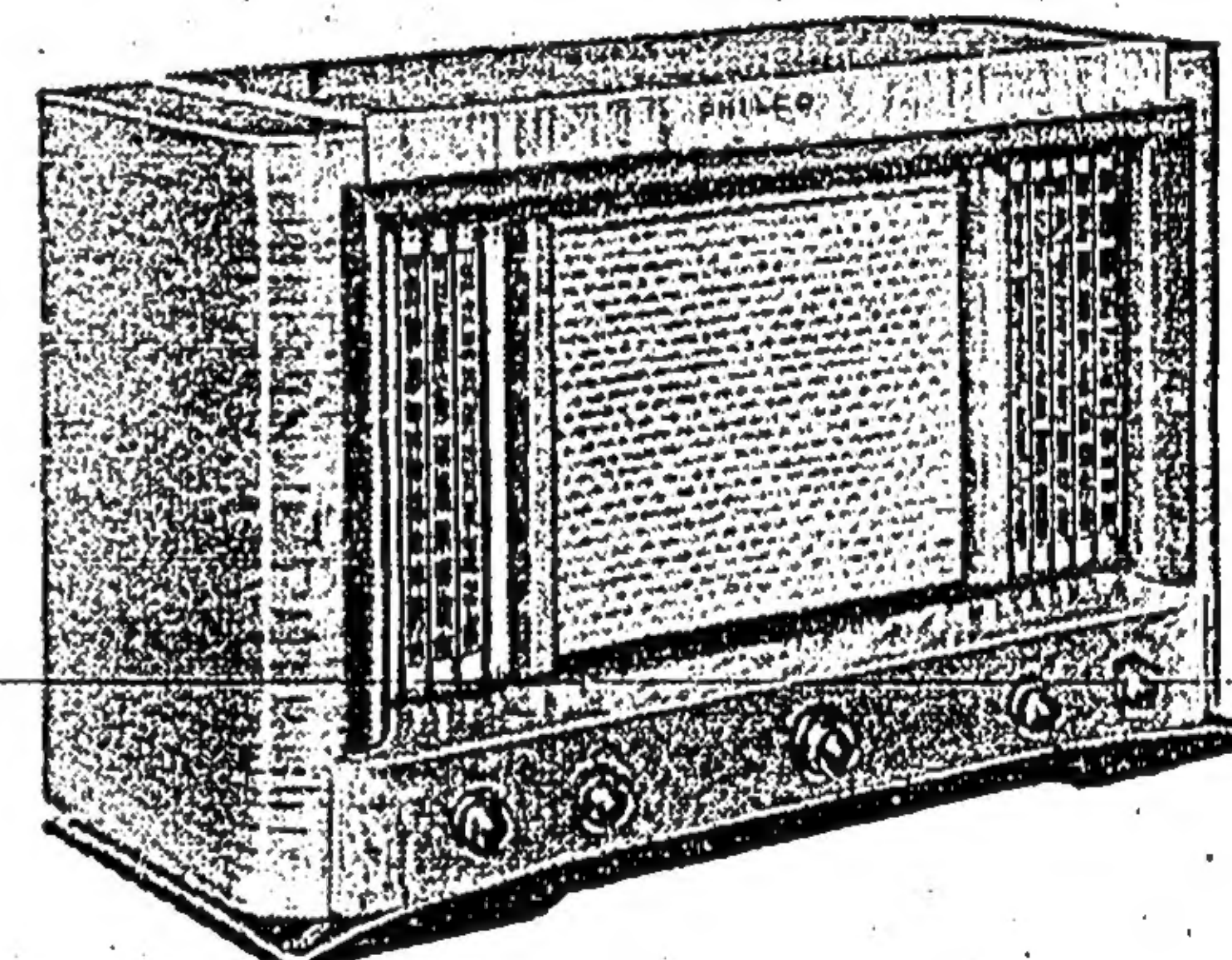
Through use of this device, ground stations can now determine by radio the exact position of a plane in flight regardless of weather conditions and regardless of whether the plane is flying over a chartered course.

Main feature of the new device is a large metallic frame antenna located on top of a building and rotated by an electric motor. Each time that an airliner transmits by short-wave radio, the signal is received by the frame antenna.

Equipment connected with this antenna by means of a telephone line automatically indicates the bearing of plane on a chart in the dispatcher's office. Also, two or more stations equipped with the antenna and recorder can work together in triangulating the plane's position so as to inform pilots of their exact location.

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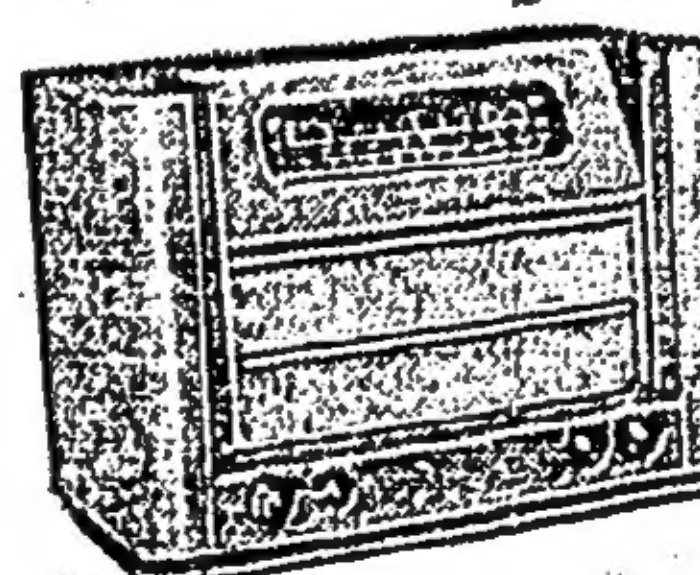
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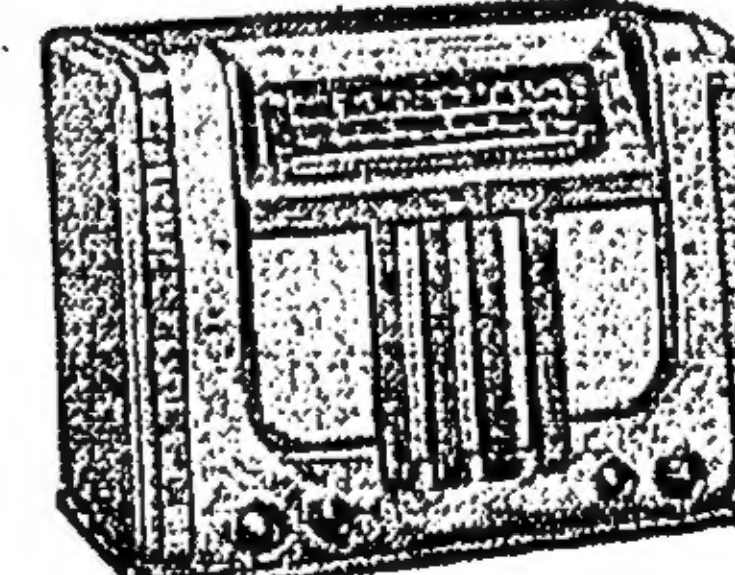
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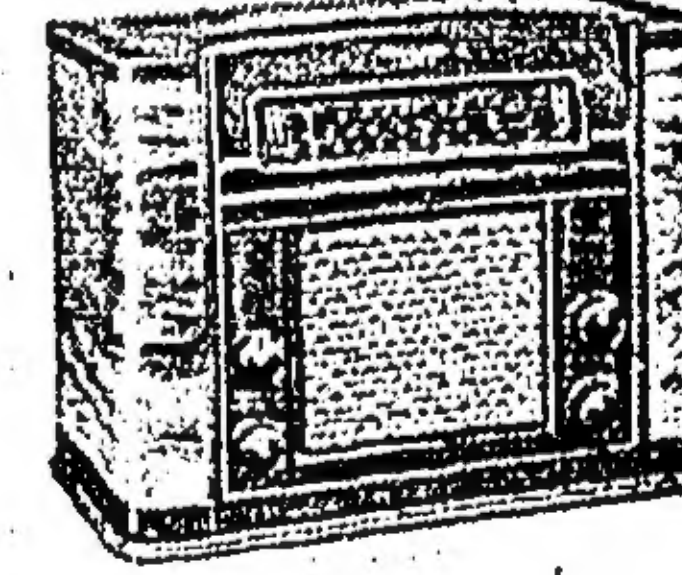
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## Wounded, War Pigeon Got Through

### Large Oil Reservoir In Alberta

One of the world's large oil reservoirs is located in northern Alberta, some 300 miles north of Edmonton. Because of transportation and mining difficulties, commercial production of the oil sands has not been feasible till recent year, but this year the first commercial extraction plant is expected to be in full operation.

The Alberta oil sands, according to Canadian Government geological estimates, contains at least 100,000,000,000 barrels of oil. The United States Bureau of Mines estimates the field contains 250,000,000,000 barrels. Other estimates place the gasoline supply of this field at 35-500,000,000 barrels.

Economically it is figured that only one per cent of the oil reserves of this area can be exploited at present. The field is roughly located along the Athabasca River, and the present industry to extract oils from the sands is at McMurray, at the end of the railway.

#### Complicated Process

A number of companies have tried to extract the oil from the sands along the shores of the Athabasca River, where stripping has shown the oil sands close to the surface. One of these companies has been building a plant near McMurray since 1936, using new processes and machinery devised in the United States. This company expects to start commercial production early in 1941.

#### Known For Long Time

The deposits have been known since 1781 when the first explorers to the region found Indians using the oil with pitch to caulk their canoes. These oil-saturated sands range in thickness from a few feet up to 225 feet, and in oil content up to 25 per cent by weight.

They cover an area estimated variously from 10,000 to 50,000 square miles of northern Alberta.

## U.S. Helium Production

PRODUCTION of helium from natural gas at the world's only operating plant, run by the U.S. Bureau of Mines at Amarillo, Texas, has reached an 11-year total of 100,000,000 cubic feet.

Production from other Government plants, not operating, at present makes the all-time total nearly 150,000,000 cubic feet.

For 27 years known to exist as an element on the earth, but only as a chemical curiosity so rare it was valued at \$70 a cubic foot.

Besides its unique property as a buoyant, non-explosive gas for airships, helium makes deep-sea divers and asphyxia sufferers breathe more freely, and helps weather forecasters in their predictions.

## War Graves Will Be Restored

### Damage In France

Major-General Sir Fabian Ware, permanent vice-chairman, Imperial War Graves Commission, stated in a broadcast recently that the Commission possessed accurate surveys of war cemeteries in France and Flanders which had been partially obliterated in the present war.

The surveys marked the position of each individual grave, and would enable the cemeteries to be reconstructed in detail.

Recent information was that the Meuse Gate, bearing 54,000 names of missing men, was badly battered, but standing; the Canadian Memorial at Vimy apparently undamaged; the La Ferté-Maclos-Memorial, commemorating the Mons Retreat and return in 1918, untouched; and the Australian Memorial at Villers-Bretonneux damaged but erect.

"Generally, no damage in France and Belgium is at present beyond repair," he added. "That repair will be carried out."

## Non-Military Steel Orders for U.S.

Orders for non-military steel for use in the British Empire have been placed in the United States, reports Associated Press.

They include a substantial contract for rails for India, Australia and Hongkong.

It was believed in steel circles that as soon as details of plans could be worked out, considerable additional business for steel destined for other than military use would be booked by United States companies.

The British Iron & Steel Corp., has handled the negotiations rather than the British Purchasing Commission, it was said, the latter confining its activities in the steel market entirely to metal for military use.

BY A FLEET STREET REPORTER

BERT, aged 3, a perky little pigeon, has lost a leg in the service of his King and country, but his heroism has gained the respect of hardened soldiers.

Conscripted by his owner, a York fancier, from his cosy civilian loft, Bert lost his anonymity months ago when he became a numbered unit of a vast silent army with wings.

On the lines that the "mulla must go through," Bert set about his new job from his Army loft hidden away in a secret part of the countryside.

A dozen times—vital messages tucked in the slot on his leg—Bert flew over a course most difficult even for a racing pigeon.

#### Torn and Bleeding

On the twelfth trip a pellet from a sporting gun shot off one of his legs. Torn and bleeding, Bert arrived home at his loft at time, his message safe and intact.

People may laugh at the idea of a mere bird having courage, but this is an example of what these birds achieve," said Second-Lieutenant J. A. Hollingworth, officer in charge of the Army Carrier Pigeon Service.

He then showed me the workings of this unique Army service. Reliable as "telephones," the 2,500 pigeons, worth about £10,000 are helping to take the place of the wireless, telephone and dispatch riders in the Northern Command.

#### On Secret Service

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When the enemy has smashed all communications and the "last resort" stage has been reached the pigeon comes into his own and the Army knows his worth.



## Flying Boat Bases In East Indies

Improved flying-boat facilities in Netherlands Indies are being sought for the Empire service by the Australian Civil Aviation Department, but the Dutch authorities are concentrating on land planes and are developing landing fields.

The Australian Civil Aviation Department's Controller of Ground Organisation, Mr. A. R. McComb, has returned to Australia after talks with the Netherlands Indies authorities in Java.

The Empire service requires, among other things, better surface craft for the loading and unloading of passengers and freight, and for refuelling purposes.

The Dutch authorities, however, are in a quandary. While the Empire service is using flying-boats, they have put their faith in the future development of land planes, which, they say, will always be faster and will be used to a very great extent.

#### Bigger Aerodromes

The Netherlands Indies authorities have embarked on a scheme for enlarging aerodromes to a size capable of accommodating four-engined land planes such as Douglas D.C. 4's, Lockheed Excelsiburs, and a new Curtiss type, and are spending large sums of money.

The K.N.I.L.M. (Royal Netherlands Indies Airways) and K.L.M. (Royal Dutch Air Lines) will probably take delivery of their first four-engined land planes in a year. These machines require runways of about 1,500 yards.

The Dutch, naturally, do not want to spend large sums on flying-boat bases when their own services will use aerodromes.

When the Dutch take delivery of their new four-engined commercial air-liners they will fly to Sydney in two stages. The machines will probably be flown across the Pacific from America to Java.

## Join Nazis Plea Angers Switzerland

A STORM of indignation has blown up in Switzerland, following publication of an article by the Swiss author, Jakob Schaffner, in the German weekly "Das Reich."

In it the author recommends the abandonment by Switzerland of her neutrality and her attachment to the German Reich.

Schaffner lives in Germany, while retaining his Swiss nationality. M. Feldmann, a member of the National Council, writing in the "Neue Berner Zeitung," condemns Schaffner's "arrogance" in openly discussing in a foreign publication questions of Swiss policy. The Swiss policy, he says, has never known so incomprehensible an interpretation of Swiss neutrality as that Schaffner outlines.

## Norway Controls Vast Network of Ships

The Norwegian Government-in-exile is directing the affairs of what amounts to a nation on the high seas from terminals in New York and London. It is a vast network of ships and men knit together by radio, newspapers and the bonds of a common battle for freedom.

The backbone of this high-seas regime is the fourth largest merchant marine in the world, in which 25,000 sailors and 900 vessels are operating despite German raids.

Together they constitute a fleet controlled by the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission, which was established by the Royal Norwegian Government to manage Norway's most valuable asset.

Source of revenue for the high-seas government is Norway's merchant marine, welded together by wireless messages crackling from offices in London, New York, Montreal, Halifax and San Francisco. German forces in occupying Norway were able to seize only 500,000 tons of shipping, or 4,000,000 tons of this invasion merchant marine were out of reach.

**Tankers And Whalers**  
Norway has since then lost 80 vessels through enemy action, but the remainder, including the world's largest independent tanker fleet of from 220 to 240 vessels and an Antarctic whaling fleet, flies the Norwegian flag in every ocean, about one-half of all the vessels plying to British ports.

**Operating With British**  
The Norwegian Navy, which in the brief engagements of the invasion was reported to have sunk more tonnage than it possessed, has since been operating with the British. It assisted in the evacuation of Dunkirk and is now sending its mosquito boats, newly delivered by Britain, into the Channel patrol service. A patrol of re-equipped whaling vessels is now on duty in the West Indies.

## WAR FUND

### Raffle Draw At Peninsula Hotel

It is announced that the public drawing for the prizes in the Hongkong War Effort Committee in aid of the Bomber Fund will take place at the Peninsula Hotel, on Friday, April 11. The draw will be conducted by His Honour Sir A. D. A. MacGregor, K.C., in conjunction with Messrs. Linstead & Davis and The Hongkong Jockey Club.

As it will take many hours to complete the drawing owing to the hundreds of prizes, it has been tentatively arranged to commence at 2 p.m. and to carry on until the evening. It is expected that the last number will be recorded between 9 and 10 p.m.

Tickets will be withdrawn from sale at all centres at noon on Thursday, April 10.

#### Blank Day Saved

A solitary donation of fifty cents from an Anonymous donor saved yesterday from being a blank day for the Bomber Fund. This brings the total collected by this War Fund, inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., to \$1,000,037.79.

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## Naval Base Police In "Ali Baba" Ruse

A naval base version of "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves," was related in the Singapore third court recently by a Crown Sergeant of the Admiralty Police.

Crown Sergeant Stafford described how Admiralty policemen concealed themselves in earth trucks, while, disguised as a labourer, he sat beside the driver of the engine, and directed him to a large piece of waste land in the base.

An attap shed stood in the centre of that area, and in it 24 men were playing "fan-tan."

They were feeling quite secure for it was impossible for any one to approach them without their knowing, as the ground around the hut was completely level and there seemed no means by which a surreptitious approach was possible.

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**Elated With Success**  
Mr Stafford watched the gaming

for a few minutes, elated with the success of his ruse.

Then he gave the signal and his men leapt out of the trucks and arrested every one in the hut.

This was Mr Stafford's story in the third court during the trial of six of the men arrested that morning, one on a charge of assisting in the management of a common gaming place, and the other five on a charge of playing there.

The men were convicted and fined.

## Kleffens For N. E. I.

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Netherlands Foreign Minister, Dr E. N. van Kleffens, has reached Lisbon en route to the Netherlands Indies, according to the Free French Agency's correspondent.

## German Missionaries In Rhodesia

LUSAKA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Thirty-five of 30 German missionaries in Northern Rhodesia have been confined to their mission stations.

This was announced by the Chief Secretary in the Legislative Council to-day.

Free contact with the natives is forbidden.

The other four are subject to supervision and restrictions in their movements.

There are 14 Italian missionaries in the territory.

All enemy missionaries have surrendered their arms, radio sets and motor cars.

## Roosevelt Freezes Hungarian Funds

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has "frozen" all Hungarian funds in the United States, according to an announcement made by Mr Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr Morgenthau added that the President and the Treasury had acted at the request of the State Department but he declined to discuss the reasons for the action.

## LATE NEWS

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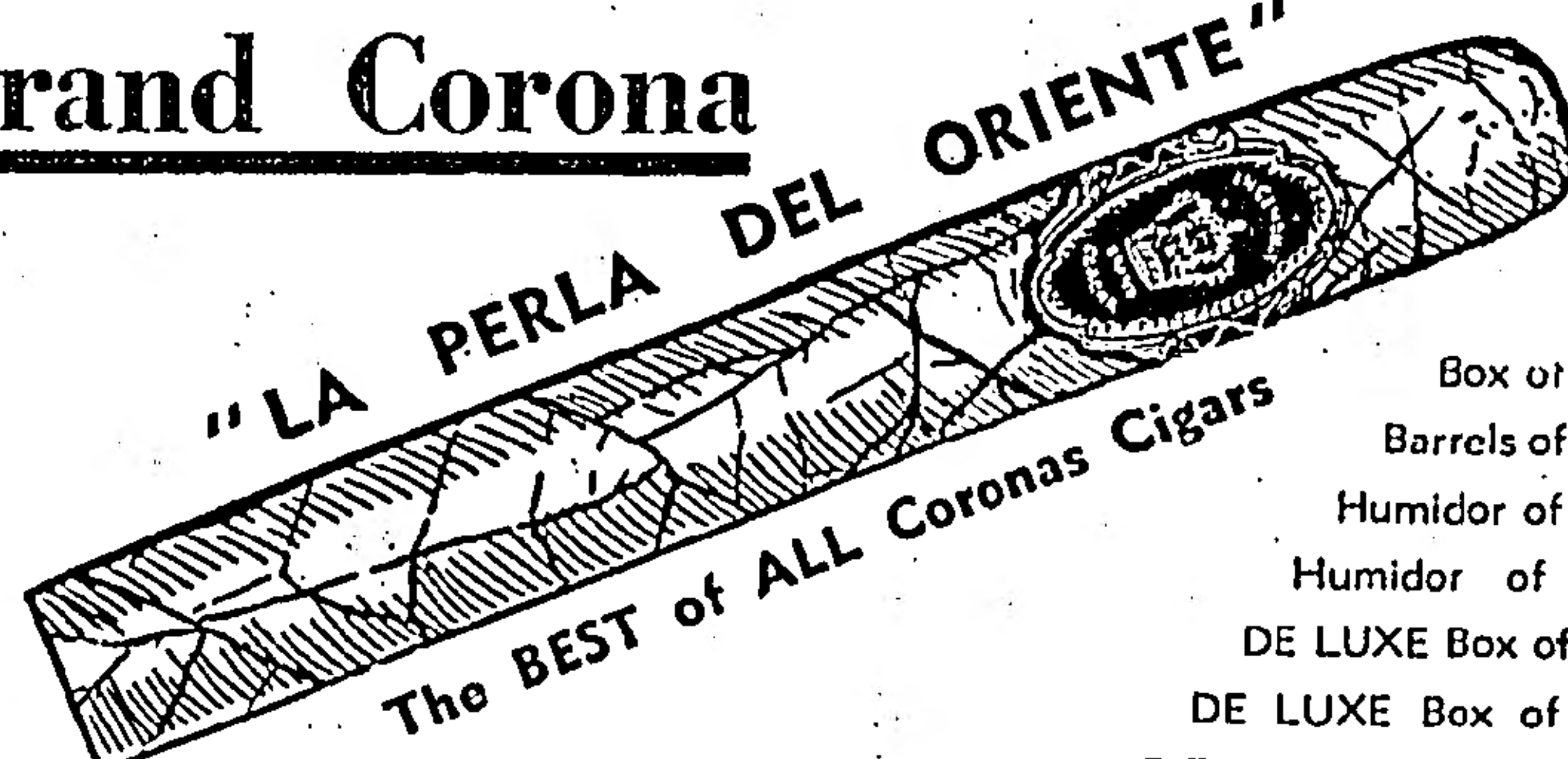
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**Beaverbrook May Become Minister Of Shipping**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The House of Commons held a secret session to-day to discuss shipping.

It is rumoured that Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Air Production, will shortly replace Mr. Ronald Cross as Minister of Shipping and Transport.

This report is circulated with reports from Sydney that Mr. Cross is going to Australia.

Lieutenant-Colonel Moore-Brabazon, Minister of Transport, is stated to succeed Lord Beaverbrook. Mr. Cross has recently been in on his shortcomings as shipping Minister.

**DESTROYER SINKS SUB**

Convoy Incident In Aegean Sea

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (UP).—A convoy, presumably British is believed to be in the Aegean Sea.

A Greek communiqué reported that the Greek destroyer Psara sank an Italian submarine as it was attempting to attack a convoy.

It is recalled that private advice to the "United Press" in New York yesterday said that a British force had arrived in Greece from Egypt, while the British reported that an Italian submarine was sunk in attempting to attack a convoy in the Aegean Sea on March 8.

**Canadian Wheat**

OTTAWA, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Limitation of the amount of the 1941 wheat crop to be accepted by the Canadian Wheat Board to 230,000,000 bushels as announced by Mr. James Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, will need a reduction of approximately 35 per cent. of wheat acreage.

Farmers who use the remaining acreage in certain specified ways will be compensated.

**Mr Currie Denies His Report Is Pessimistic**

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—When contacted by the United Press to-day regarding the Japanese charges that his report would be most pessimistic, Mr. Lauchlin Currie said he could not comment further, but that he would stand on the statement he made upon his departure from China.

This statement which was quoted by the Chinese to-day, said: "I leave with my faith in the greatness of China's destiny confirmed."

Mr. Currie asserted that he had already conferred once with the President, but had not yet completed his report, and he would see the President again shortly.

Asked what would be the nature of his report, Mr. Currie replied that he

# BRITISH BOMBERS BLITZ BERLIN, BREMEN AND HAMBURG IN NIGHT RAID

LONDON, MAR. 13 (REUTER).—A FORMIDABLE STRIKING FORCE OF BRITISH BOMBER COMMAND AIRCRAFT SWEEP OVER GERMANY LAST NIGHT TO ATTACK HAMBURG, BREMEN AND BERLIN FROM SOON AFTER NIGHTFALL UNTIL AN HOUR OR SO BEFORE DAWN.

TOGETHER THE THREE ATTACKS MADE FORM THE HEAVIEST BLOW BRITISH BOMBERS HAVE YET STRUCK AT GERMANY.

Over each target, there was a concentrated barrage and to reach the objectives in Berlin, the British bombers had to penetrate a continuous curtain of fire.

The attack on Berlin lasted several hours and the British crews were able to pick out the streets, railways and lakes around the city almost as if they had been flying in daylight.

Fragments of shells hit the wings and under-carriage of one British plane but nothing prevented the pilot and bomb-aimer from completing their task. They saw their bombs burst on a target in the centre of Berlin.

**ESCORTED R. A. F. BOMBERS**

Raid N. France

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—British fighters escorted a bomber squadron across the Channel soon after mid-day to-day to attack the German-occupied aerodrome at Calais, says an Air Ministry communiqué.

Bombs were seen to burst on the aerodrome and among the aircraft dispersed at one end of it.

Other fighters carried out offensive patrols over the Channel and northern France during the afternoon and destroyed an enemy fighter.

An enemy bomber which crossed the south coast was promptly intercepted and shot down into the sea.

One British fighter is missing from these operations.

**879 Planes For Britain Last Month**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The Office of Production Management, which is the Supreme National Defence Agency in the United States, to-day announced that 872 planes were delivered during February, of which 879 went to Britain and the United States.

The Office also transmitted to the Maritime Commission a list on which cargo priorities may be based, showing items which may be sidetracked in favour of defence cargoes which include spices, tin, coconut oil, palm oil, fibres, and burlap although sufficient quantities will be imported for civilian as well as defence needs.

**Mr Matsuoka Seeks Pilots And Planes**

Reported Request To Hitler

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Diplomatic sources declare that Mr Matsuoka may ask Hitler to send 1,500 German pilots, and an equivalent number of German planes to Japan, flying to the Japanese bases across Russia and Siberia.

The same sources heard that the Soviets have not granted permission for such a flight and that permission may not be granted.

Mr Matsuoka is said to carry a personal letter from the Emperor to Hitler, but his immediate mission is to request the formation of a German air force in the Orient.

The German Ambassador to Tokyo, Major General Oikawa, is reported to have already transmitted the Japanese request to Berlin and that Japan is also asking for Soviet assurances.

The Emperor's letter is reported to carry an eventual mediation offer stressing the success of the Thai-Indo China mediation.

**Hamburg Woken Up**

Hamburg too had a sleepless night and just after 10 p.m. the first raiders were dropping their bombs among the docks and shipping yards. Fires flared high and some of the pilots reported seeing them clearly 70 and 80 miles away.

As well as this great concentration of aircraft over Germany, the Bomber Command also despatched a number of heavy bombers to Boulogne where many hits were scored on the docks.

**German Admissions**

BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Three were killed and three slightly wounded at Bremen last night, while five were killed and 24 slightly wounded at Hamburg. The report added that the United States Consulate at Hamburg was hit by a high explosive bomb which pierced through to the second story.

The official news agency has admitted that 10 were killed and 27 wounded in last night's air raid on Berlin, but it was claimed that a total of 10 British planes were shot down over Berlin, Hamburg, and Bremen.

At the same time, it was claimed that the attacks were "intentionally directed at residential districts," and that the fires were quickly extinguished with no military damage of importance being caused. Several dwellings were damaged.

**R. A. F. FIGHT BACK 200 RAIDERS**

Attack on Liverpool Fails

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—It is officially estimated that 200 German raiders attacked Liverpool last night, but opposition by waves of R.A.F. fighters kept the damage at a minimum. At daybreak, people were still being rescued from the wreckage and others are still trapped. In one area, two policemen, three fire watchers and three wardens are missing.

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**Widespread Attack**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Soon after dark to-night, enemy bombers were reported to be over many parts of the country, indicating more widespread attacks.

An alarm was sounded in the London area.

At a late hour to-night, three Nazi night raiders were reported to have been brought down over the south England coast and one in south England.

**Nazi Pay Dearly**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—British fighters shot down two more enemy aircraft during to-day without loss to themselves.

This occurred when about dawn this morning a small number of enemy fighters and fighter bombers crossed the south-east coast but did not penetrate very far inland before they were intercepted by British fighters.

A few bombs were dropped but they caused no casualties and little damage.

Otherwise there was little enemy activity up to noon to-day.

In addition to the nine enemy bombers destroyed in last night's raid, the Air Ministry claims that a number of other enemy bombers are known to have been damaged by various means, and that it is possible that several of them failed to return to their bases.

**Crashed With Bombs**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—A German bomber with a full bomb-load was shot down in the south of England shortly after dark to-night. As the machine crashed, the bomb-load went off in a gigantic explosion, TURN to Back Page, Column 5

**CARGO SHIPS FOR BRITAIN**

American Plan

NEW YORK, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The building of 500 cargo ships for Britain is provided for in the United States Maritime Commission's new emergency programme, according to the "Journal of Commerce."

The Commission is also considering placing the liners Washington and Manhattan on the New York-Lisbon route, replacing the smaller ships at present operating that route, according to the "New York Times."

**Saving Dollars**

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Responsibility for between \$300,000,000 and \$350,000,000 worth of unfilled British orders for war material and British-owned facilities for munition production in the United States may be transferred to the United States Government.

This was disclosed to-day by a high administrative official who stated that negotiations on the subject were proceeding. This would relieve some of the pressure on Britain's efforts to raise dollar exchange.

It is estimated that British own about \$100,000,000 worth of munition factories and production facilities in the United States.

**2-Ocean Navy For U. S.**

Knox Gives Evidence

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was urged by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, Admiral of the Navy, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, in their testimony before the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee.

All three warned Congress that the international situation might continue to grow worse from time to time. Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was necessary because the combined German, Italian and Japanese fleets at the beginning of this year totalled 1,835,000 tons against the 1,250,000 tons of the United States.

This did not take into account the French ships.

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## Italians Mown Down In Mass Attacks

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Italians have adopted mass infantry attacks with tremendous forces in a futile attempt to repulse the Greeks on the central front in Albania, according to a Greek press bulletin quoted by the Athens radio.

The mass attacks were supported by heavy artillery bombardment.

Despite frantic efforts by the Italians, no ground was regained. Finally the Italians were forced to desist and retired, leaving a field strewn with dead and wounded.

Mussolini's presence in Albania is now confirmed, the announcer said. If Duce has not succeeded in heartening the troops nor in changing the fortune of war.

The announcer added: "If Duce is returning to Italy on Saturday, his plan was to take back a victory with which to console his disconsolate people. Instead, he will take back one more defeat—the heaviest of all—together with the maledictions of the battered Italian Army."

**Heavy Offensive**

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Failure of the heavy Italian attacks in Albania is announced in a Greek communiqué which says: "The enemy continued his offensive throughout the day, launching repeated violent attacks along a wide front all day."

"Large forces of infantry were used, supported by strong artillery and many aircraft."

"Our troops repulsed all enemy attacks, inflicting heavy losses. Our aircraft successfully bombed military targets. Our anti-aircraft guns brought down two enemy aircraft."

## May Relax Blockade Britain's Dilemma

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—Authoritative quarters revealed to-day that members of the State Department and British officials are discussing the possibilities of relaxing the British blockade to allow food to reach unoccupied France.

Some believe that the decision will be one of the most important phases of Anglo-American co-operation in view of Admiral Darlan's threat that continued British refusal might force the Vichy Government into closer collaboration with Berlin. They asserted that Britain herself will probably receive substantial foodstuffs from the United States.

**Mr Forrest Improves**

The condition of Mr R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, whose indisposition caused a postponement of the public inquiry into the affairs of the Department, is improving. Mr Forrest, who is a patient at the Queen Mary Hospital, had a good night's rest and is making good progress.

## Indians Broach Question Of Independence Again

BOMBAY, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The conference presided over by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru to discuss and find out means to resolve the present political deadlock in India to-day adopted a draft resolution which will be passed at the plenary session to-morrow.

After recording profound admiration of the heroism and undaunted steadfastness of the British people and paying tribute to Indian troops in the Middle East, the resolution urged that the resources of India in men and material should be used to the fullest advantage not only in self-defence but in helping the British people to the fullest possible extent.

"To enable the Government to get the utmost help from the people of India," the resolution urges that simultaneously with reconstruction of the central government, the British Government make a declaration that within a definite time limit after the conclusion of war India will attain a constitutional status such as will be attained, for example, by the Dominions of Australia and Canada after the war.

**Suggested Portfolios**

The main feature of the suggested reconstruction centre is that the whole Executive Council should consist entirely of non-official Indians in joint responsibility for the period of the war the defence portfolio to be in the charge of an Indian but with proper safeguards to maintain the position of the Commander-in-Chief as the executive head of the Army; and the finance portfolio to be in the hands of an Indian.

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1.01 Haydn—Symphony No. 86 in D Major by The London Symphony Orchestra cond. by Bruno Walter.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press and Announcements.

1.45 Variety with Ivor Moxton and Dave Kaye, Sandy Towl and Company, Elsie and Doris Waters with Piano, and Quentin M. Maclean with Vocal by Les Allen and Quartet.

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Dance Music by Ray Fox and His Orchestra.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—Newsletter by O. M. Green.

7.30 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

7.40 Studio—An appeal on behalf of the Chinese Y.W.C.A. by His Honour Sir A. D. A. MacGregor, Kt. K.C.

7.50 Songs by Derek Oldham (Tenor).—For Only You, Waltz Song, and Whisper in your Dreams.

8.00 Local Time Signal and Announcements.

8.02 Concert Waltzes by the Orchestra MacCott and Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Orchestra.

8.30 Military Band Music by the Mased Bands of the Aldershot and Eastern Commands, and Regimental Band of H. M. Irish Guards.

8.45 Sea Shanty.

9.00 London Relay—The News.

9.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

9.30 Compositions of Schubert.

10.00 London Relay—Talk—"By the Way."

10.15 Silbellus—Symphony No. 2 in D Major, Op. 43 by Serge Koussevitzky and the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

11.00 Close Down.

## Kowloon B.G.C. Annual Report

THE ANNUAL general meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be held in the Clubhouse on March 26 at 6 p.m. Report for the year reveals a profit of over \$500, while the Committee make acknowledgment with thanks for the generous support of members in donations to the Bomber Fund, to which the sum of \$1,602 had been contributed. During the year, 34 new members joined and 35 left. The membership on December 31 totalled 224, comprising nine life members, seven honorary members, 168 ordinary members and 50 sea-going members. The redemption of all outstanding debentures of the Club by way of bank overdraft has been completed.

## Another Japanese Aviation Accident

**TOKYO, Mar. 13 (Domei).—**Captain Shinnosuke Munezaki, Lieutenant Shiroki Okuyama, and Lieutenant Shiroki Okuyama were killed when a naval seaplane while carrying out a military mission was lost north of Formosa on the afternoon of March 1, the Navy Minister announced today. All three Naval officers have been promoted posthumously to higher ranks.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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By order of the Board of Directors,  
D. W. MUNTON,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1941.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held in the P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon on Thursday, the 20th day of March, 1941, or as soon thereafter as the Ordinary General Meeting of the Company shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions:—

"1. That the Directors be and they are hereby authorised to 'capitalise the sum of \$3,000,000 'Hongkong currency, part of the 'undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund, 'and to allot to the members 'holding shares of the Company 'as on the first day of April 'One thousand nine hundred 'and forty-one in respect of 'net amount capitalised fully 'paid shares of the Company 'of equivalent nominal value in 'the proportion of one share for 'every three shares of the Company held by them respectively 'and that such shares so allotted 'shall rank for dividends as 'from the 1st day of July, 1941.

"2. That if on such distribution as aforesaid any person 'would be entitled to a fractional share the Directors shall, 'in lieu of issuing fractional 'certificates, cause the whole 'share to be allotted to a person 'or persons to be named by the 'Directors and such share shall, 'at such time as the Directors 'think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the 'persons entitled to the fractional shares making up such share."

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Hongkong, 21st February, 1941.

#### NOTE:—

Under the powers conferred upon them by Article 12 of the Articles of Association of the Company, the Directors have decided to offer to Shareholders on the Register on the 1st day of April, 1941, one share at par for every complete three shares held by them (excluding the Bonus Shares to be offered to them under the preceding resolution) upon the terms that payment for such shares shall be made to the Company's Bankers, The Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong on or before the 30th September, 1941, and that Shareholders be given power to renounce their rights under such offer and that no rights attach to any fractions. The shares taken up under the above offer shall rank for dividends as from 1st day of July, 1941. Formal letters of offer, acceptance and renunciation will be sent to Shareholders as soon as possible after April 1st next.

## President Pierce Carries Evacuees

**CHUNGKING, Mar. 13 (Central News).—**The a.s. President Pierce left Shanghai for America on Tuesday night with 109 American evacuees on its passenger list. About 70 per cent of them are women and children and there are a number of merchants who travel frequently between China and America.

G.  R.

## UNITED KINGDOM FOOD IMPORTS

The attention of all importers of foodstuffs (including liquida) from the United Kingdom, is again drawn to Government Notification No. 282 of 7th March, 1941, which states inter alia,

"All firms, Hongkong companies and individuals who import foodstuffs (including liquida) directly to Hong Kong from the United Kingdom are required to register themselves at this office by letter on or before 15th March, 1941, when a number will be allotted to them in connection with permission to import into this Colony from the United Kingdom. Importers are warned that failure to register by 15th March, 1941, may involve refusal of such permission if application is received at a later date."

D. L. NEWBIGGING,  
Controller of Food.  
13.3.41.

## THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY LTD.

#### Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER, 1940.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 15th MARCH, 1941, to WEDNESDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1941, both days inclusive. By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary and Manager.  
Hongkong, 7th March, 1941.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-second Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, 20th March, 1941, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1940 and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 8th March to 20th March, 1941, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,  
Agents.

Hong Kong, 21st February, 1941.

## THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Forty Fourth Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 15th March, 1941, at NOON for the following purposes, namely, to consider the annual statement of accounts and the balance sheet and the reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon, to elect directors and auditors in the place of those retiring, to declare a dividend, to appropriate the balance of Profit and Loss Account as recommended by the Directors, and to transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE is also given that the Share Transfer Registers will be closed from 1st March, 1941, to 15th March, 1941, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,  
R. A. WICKERSON,  
Secretary and Manager.  
Hongkong, 14th February, 1941.



## Fighting In Vicinity Of Canton Japanese Worst

**SHUUKWAN, Mar. 13 (Central News).—**Following in pursuit of the Japanese, the Chinese have recovered Chunglow, south of Toishan, and are encircling the Japanese at Towshing and Kwongshoh, towns further south. A Japanese unit moving away from Lungchow and Nanyangshang, along the Canton-Hankow Railway 25 miles north of Canton, was intercepted and attacked by Chinese troops on March 10.

On the same day a Japanese unit from Taipingcheong, a small town 13 miles south of Taungfu, pushed toward Nanyangshang, nearby, and came into a clash with the Chinese. After suffering some casualties, it retreated to Taipingcheong.

In the meantime another Japanese unit driving toward Lungkong from Shenkong, about eight miles south of Taungfu, was also repulsed. **Chinese Recapture Tungcheng.** **CHUNGKING, Mar. 13 (Central News).—**Two Chinese columns converged on Tungcheng in south Hubei yesterday evening. They re-occupied Kumingshan and other outer defence points at midnight and forced a retreat into the town itself at 2 a.m. today. The Japanese retreated northward.

After repulsing the Japanese westward thrust, the Chinese are pushing further back on the opposite banks of Ichang on the upper reaches of the Yangtze.

The Japanese troops who occupied Liangyuan, north-east of Hotel in central Anhwei, on March 8 were subjected to an encircling attack on March 10.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

#### BANKS

H.K. Banks £.....1,337½ b.  
H.K. Banks \$.....70 n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K.) £.....78 n.  
Chartered £.....87½ b.  
Mercantile A. & B. £.....23½ b.  
Mercantile C. £.....11½ b.  
East Asia £.....x.d. 70 b.

#### INSURANCES

Cantons £.....215 n.  
Union £.....425 b.  
China Underwriters £.....170 n.  
H.K. Fire £.....170 n.

#### SHIPPING

Douglas £.....135 n.  
Steamboats £.....9 n.  
Indo-China P. £.....80 n.  
Indo-China D. £.....80 n.  
Shell (Bearers) s/-.....42/6 n.  
Waterboats £.....7 n.

#### DOCKS ETC.

Wharves £.....95 n.  
Hole \$.....34 s.  
Docks (old) £.....16.00 n.  
Docks (new) £.....16 n.  
Providents £.....5½ b. & s.  
Shui Dockyards £.....27 n.

#### MINING

Kallan s/-.....17/- n.  
Raubs £.....8 n.  
H.K. Mines £.....1½ cts. n.

#### LANDS

34 s.  
Lands x.d. 31½ b.  
Lands 4% Debentures.....07½ b.  
Shui-Lands Sh. \$.....12.40 n.  
Humphreys £.....8.70 b.  
H.K. Realities £.....3.20 n.  
Chinese Estates x.d. 98 n.

#### UTILITIES

Trans x.d. 10½ s.  
Peking Trams (old) £.....7½ n.  
Peking Trams (new) £.....3½ n.  
Star Ferries £.....64½ n.  
Y. Ferries £.....24½ n.  
China Lights (old) £.....6.20 b.  
China Lights (new) £.....1.97½ n.  
H.K. Electric (old) £.....41 b.  
H.K. Electric (new) £.....40.80 b.  
Macao Electric (old) £.....17.40 n.  
Macao Electric (new) £.....10½ n.  
Sandakan Light £.....12 n.  
Telephones (old) £.....24½ n.  
Telephones (new) £.....9 n.

#### INDUSTRIALS

Cald: Macg. (Ord.), Sh. \$.....30 n.  
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$.....25 n.  
Canton Ices £.....1 n.  
Cements £.....17 b.  
H.K. Ropes £.....8.10 sh.

#### STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms £.....18½ n.  
Watson £.....10.70 b.  
Lane Cranes £.....7½ n.  
Sinceres £.....2.15 n.  
Wing On (H.K.) £.....30 n.  
Powell Ltd. £.....1.90 n.

#### COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$.....42½ n.  
Shui Cotton Sh. \$.....200 n.

#### MISC.

H.K. Govt. 4% (1934).....07 n.  
H.K. Govt. 3½% (1934).....04½ n.  
H.K. Govt. 3½% (1940).....04 n.  
Ch Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Bds. ....42 n.  
H.K. Entertainments £.....7 n.  
Constructions (old) £.....1.00 n.  
Constructions (new) £.....1 n.  
Vibro Piling £.....7.70 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (Lon.) s/-.....0/8 n.  
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/-.....2/6 n.

#### MARSHAL LONGMORE R.A.F. PREPARING BLOW AT GERMANY

**ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—**When the time comes, the R.A.F. in the Middle East will strike at the Germans as hard as it has struck at the Italians," declared Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, Commander-in-Chief of the R.A.F. in the Middle East, in an interview with the Greek newspaper, "Efimeris." Asked to what he attributed the defeat of the Italian air force, Sir Arthur replied: "In my opinion, it is due to the dearth of inspired leaders and lack of organization. In addition, Italian airmen have not the high morale and courage which comes from the conviction that one is fighting for a just cause."

## Exchange At A Glance

#### SELLING

T.T. London .....1/2½  
Demand London .....1/2½  
T.T. Shanghai .....435  
T.T. Singapore .....52½  
T.T. Japan .....102½  
T.T. India .....82½  
T.T. Bangkok .....24½  
T.T. Saigon .....104½  
T.T. Manila .....48½  
T.T. Batavia .....149½  
T.T. Calcutta .....149½  
T.T. Salgon .....104½  
T.T. France .....102½  
T.T. Switzerland .....102½  
T.T. Australia .....1/0½

#### BUYING

4 m/s L/C London .....1/3½  
4 m/s D/P London .....1/3½  
4 m/s L/C U.S.A. ....25  
4 m/s France .....84½  
30 d/s India .....402½  
U.S. Cross rate in London 4.02½  
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y. ....4.03½

## DANGER TO EIRE

#### De Valera's Statement

**DUBLIN, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—**As the crisis of war grew more acute, the danger to Ireland correspondingly increased, said Mr. Eamon De Valera, the Premier of Eire, speaking in the Dail on the vote on accounts.

He said that from the moment war broke out Eire had been in danger, directly or indirectly to injure them but because the country happened to be placed in such a position that there was temptation on one side or the other to seize the territory for military advantage.

#### Stranger From Germany

**DUBLIN, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—**A stranger who stated that he had landed during the night from a German aeroplane was arrested by guards in County Wickford today, says an official announcement. He declared that he came down at Ballycullaid, in the same county.

## German Missionaries In Rhodesia

**LUSAKA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—**Thirty-five of 39 German missionaries in Northern Rhodesia have been confined to their mission stations.

This was announced by the Chief Secretary in the Legislative Council today.

Free contact with the natives is forbidden.

The other four are subject to supervision and restrictions in their movements. There are 14 Italian missionaries in the territory. All enemy missionaries have surrendered their arms, radio sets and motor cars.

#### Kleffens For N.E.I.

**LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—**The Netherlands Foreign Minister, Dr. E. N. van Kleffens, has reached Lisbon on route to the Netherlands Indies, according to the Free French Agency's correspondent.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for local or foreign periods in local or other currencies at rates which will be quoted on application.

SAVING ACCOUNTS also opened in local currency and Sterling with interest allowed at rates obtainable on application. The Bank's Head Office in London undertakes Executor and Trustee business and claims recovery of British Income Tax overpaid on terms which may be negotiated at any of its Agencies and Branches.

W. H. EVANS THOMAS, Manager.

## Entries And Handicaps For Fanling Races

Following are the entries and handicaps for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club meeting to be held on March 23:

Shamrock Handicap (7 furlongs, flat race)—See Time, (145), Colorado Star, (135), Dick Turpin, (145), Schmelzer, (140), Sea Urchin, (135), Tarzan, (135), Violet Queen, (145), Double Chance, (145), Jack O' Lantern, (145), Mac's Second, (140), March Brown, (135), Ploughboy, (140), Soldier of China, (140), Three Farthings, (140), Viber, (140).

Dublin Handicap (6 furlongs, flat race)—Arabian, (135), Gallant Marshal, (135), Dow Jones, (140), Ascol Vale, (135), Heddon, (140), Lancashire Chap, (141), Lucky Eleven, (135), National Success, (135), Palmer, (140), Plain View, (135), Radium Star, (135), Zero, (135).

Hunters' Cup (7 furlongs, flat race)—Chatterbox, (141), Jack O' Lantern, (141), King's Worthy, (140), Knight Liberty, (140), Royal Wedding Eve, (135), Soldier of China, (140), Sylvanella, (132), The Tires, (135), West Lake, (140), Spark Plug, (145), Spectrum, (140), Toy Lumber, (145), Tevedale, (145).

Hunters' Cup (6 furlongs, flat race)—Entries for this race will close next Tuesday at noon and the handicaps will be announced on Wednesday.

In connection with the Hunters' Cup, a special \$1 sweep, limited to 100,000 chances, is being run. The cost of one Through Chance is \$10, including the special sweep. Tickets can be obtained at the Cash Sweep Department, No. 17, Cornuaght Road, Central, top floor.

#### Badoglio Going To Albania, Report

**LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—**Ankara radio, without confirmation, today declared that General Badoglio has been sent to Albania to render expert technical advice.

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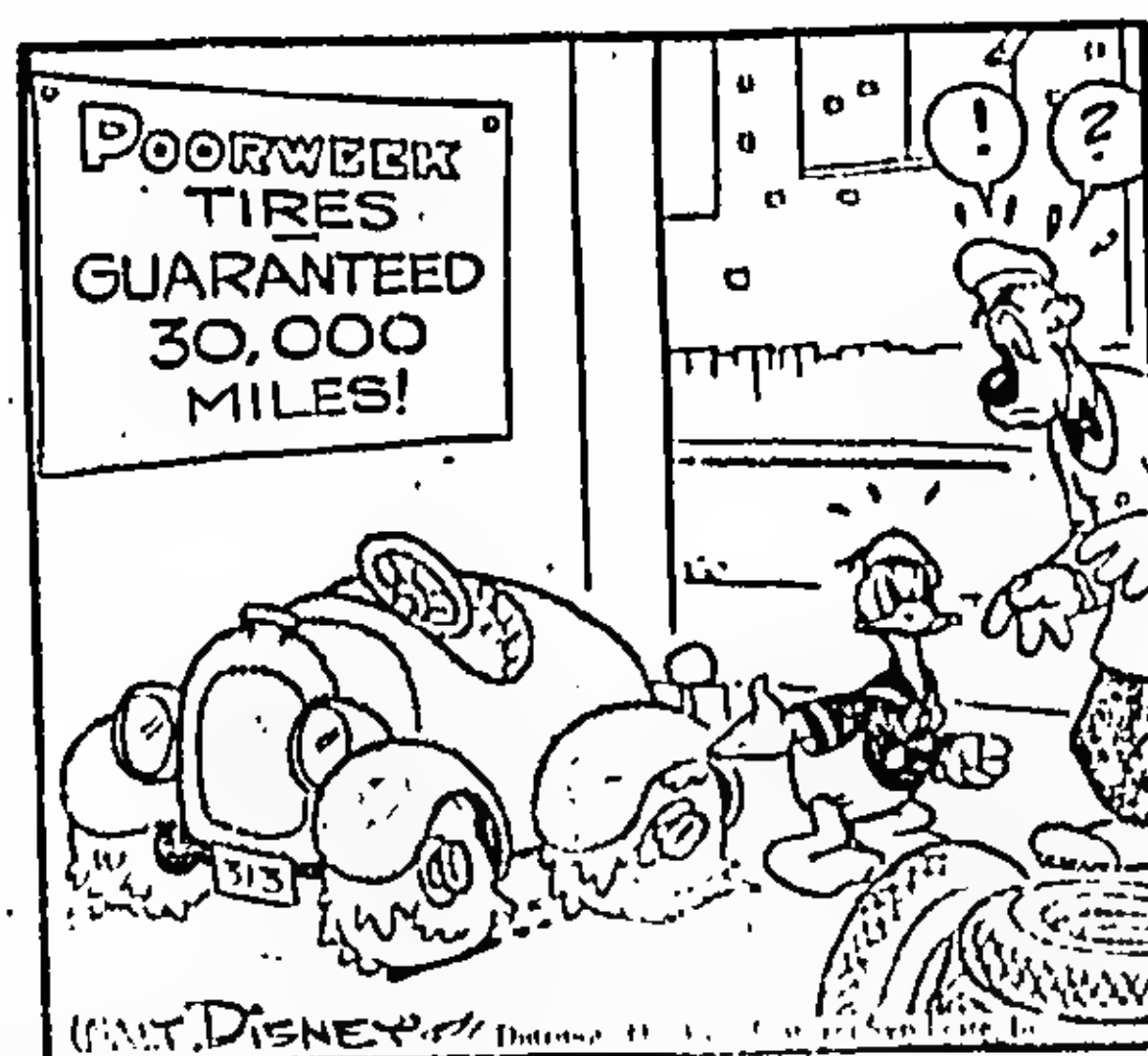
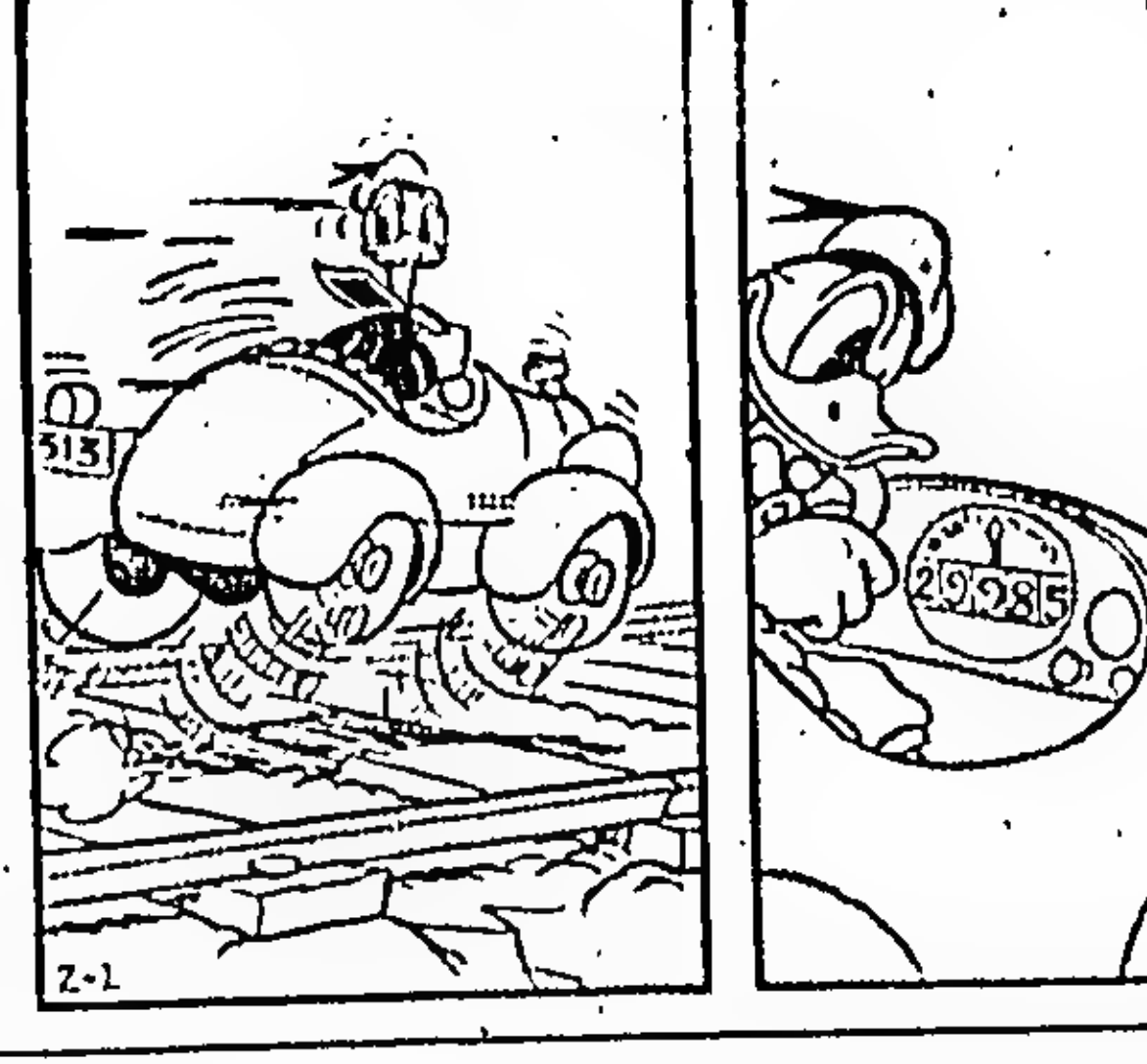
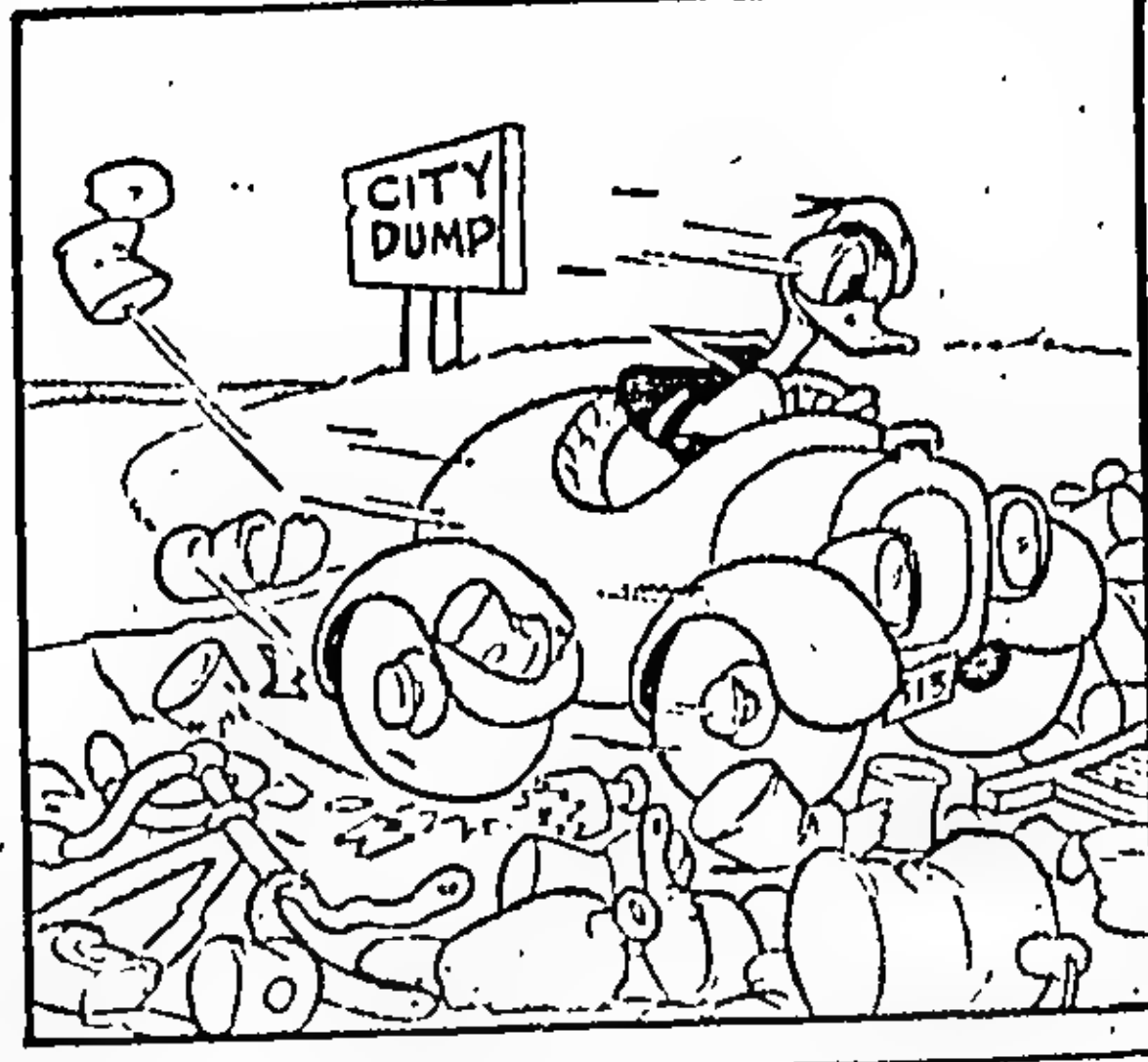
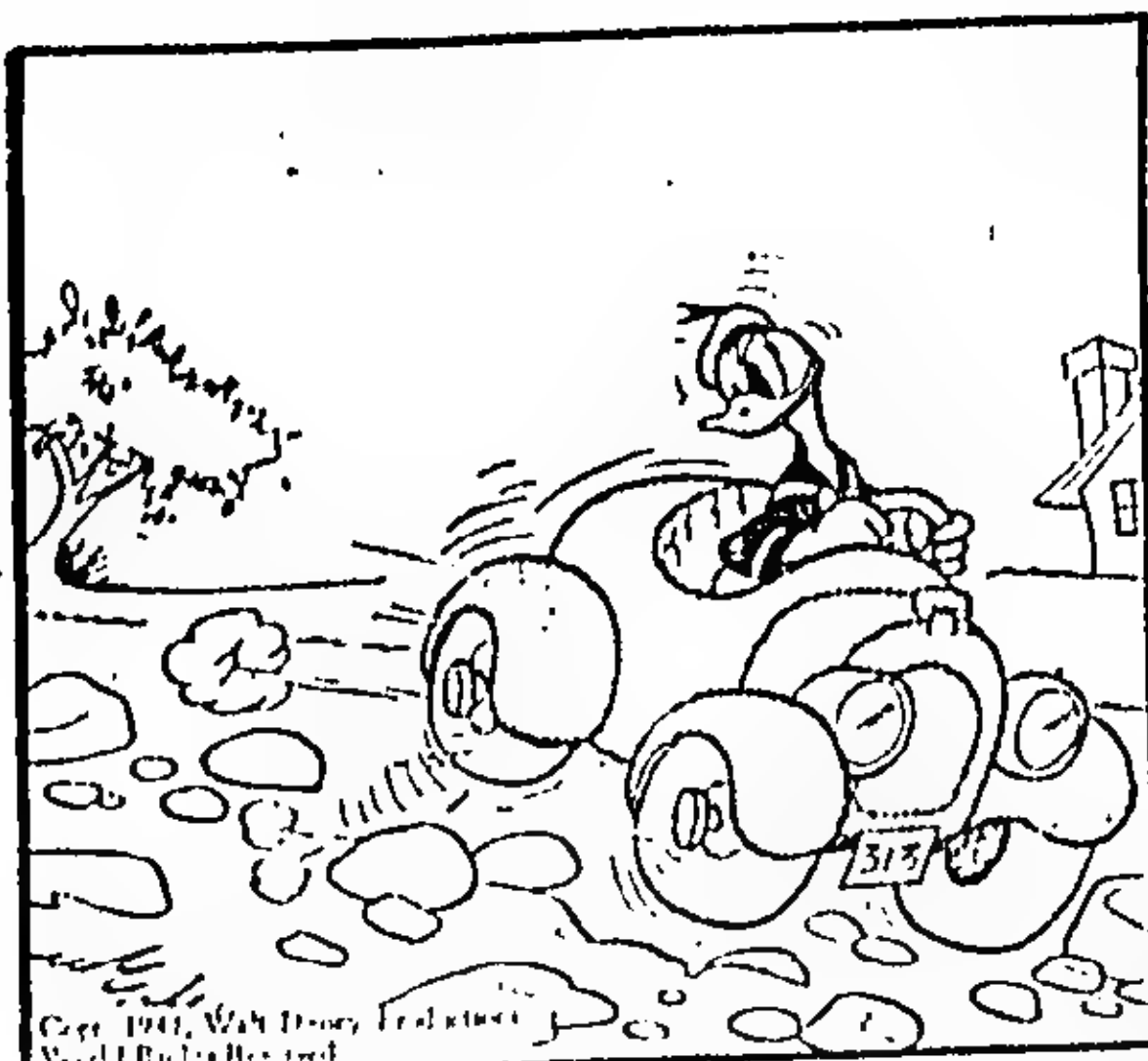
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## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"I'm not going! I'd rather not have a good time than have to get this dressing business over with!"

## Crossword Puzzle

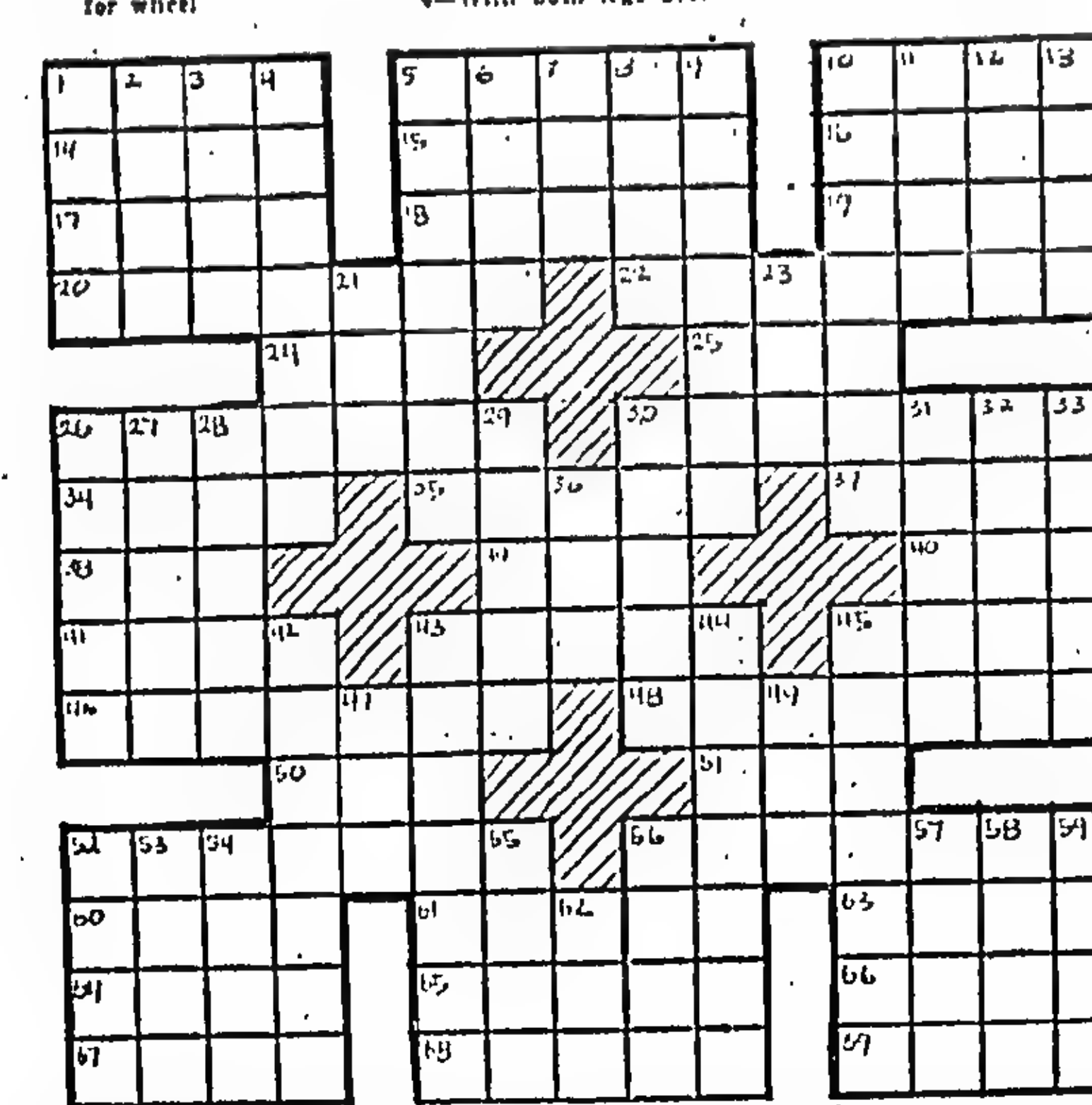
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Hindu deity
- 2—Classical-produced fatty matter
- 3—Married woman
- 4—Plural suffix: pertaining to
- 5—Cresting
- 6—Made cool
- 7—Green color
- 8—Climbing plants
- 9—Pondus
- 10—Jewelry embedded
- 11—Disinfect
- 12—Artificial language
- 13—Finny personality
- 14—Those who better
- 15—Diplomatic disposition
- 16—Art in frenzied manner
- 17—Fonish
- 18—Cut down
- 19—Literary collection
- 20—One life
- 21—Unity
- 22—Network
- 23—Part of flower
- 24—Illiberal
- 25—Fast of Mercury
- 26—Deceived
- 27—Through
- 28—Jew
- 29—Admit to bail
- 30—Strong fortress
- 31—Two-dimensional
- 32—Practical thrift
- 33—The name (Latin)
- 34—Part of church
- 35—With both legs over

DOWN

- 1—Rescuers
- 2—Man's name
- 3—Not a place for grain
- 4—Members of western Indian tribe
- 5—Crimson
- 6—Ward
- 7—Faint feeling
- 8—Lips
- 9—Small whirlpool
- 10—Bit of vetra
- 11—Hole
- 12—Indian queen
- 13—Nautical expression
- 14—Fishes part
- 15—Lure
- 16—Of arm family
- 17—Hinge
- 18—Take changes in
- 19—Unimpaired
- 20—Unfortunate
- 21—Range of view
- 22—Those skilled at law
- 23—Mainly island, noted for tobacco
- 24—Permit
- 25—Section of track
- 26—Light yellowish brown
- 27—Faint
- 28—System of ascetic
- 29—Faint
- 30—Circulated circular
- 31—Face
- 32—Bird of prey
- 33—Lips
- 34—Number of fingers



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## Manchester Uncowed By The Blitz

In spite of a "real bashing" sustained through heavy German air raids on the city, Manchester is uncowed and defiant. A letter received by a leading British trading house in Hongkong from a Manchester firm states that, although the face and contour of the old city, the only alteration to its spirit is to make it even more determined than ever to make an end of Hitler and all that he stands for.

The following excerpts from the letter, which we are privileged to publish, may prove to be of some interest to local commercial circles who have relations with Manchester firms and to the public generally. They show the remarkable spirit of the British people in a time of difficulty and danger, and also reveal how trade, the life-blood of the nation, is being carried on.

## Keep Flag Flying

"Speaking from a purely commercial angle," says the letter, "we are, under obviously difficult and awkward circumstances, doing our best to carry on and keep the flag flying, and we are not ashamed of our efforts in this direction—in fact we are rather proud of ourselves, but we are not overlooking the fact that we have received tremendous help from overseas friends who, appreciating the position, have looked with a blind eye at what under normal circumstances they would have acclaimed with horror as being gross misdemeanours on our part although, in the main, we are surprised ourselves that we have not had to take as many liberties as we visualised that might be necessary."

"Manchester as a whole, and we in particular, have always prided ourselves not only upon the standard of our goods but upon the promptness of our deliveries, and it is in regard to the latter that we have experienced most difficulty."

## Thanks To Navy

"Thanks to the Navy, we are getting good supplies of cotton and, whilst it is no secret that bits and pieces of these have been destroyed by enemy action, there has been no shortage. At the same time, however, a terrific strain has been placed on Lancashire machinery to fulfil those vast supplies of Home and Colonial Government requirements which must necessarily have priority even over export, and, whilst export comes a good second, manufacturers have in many cases found it difficult to keep up to time with some of our orders, but they have really made some noble efforts and, taking it all in all, they have, under exceptionally difficult circumstances, done extraordinarily well."

"From the overseas buyer's point of view, one of the chief bugbears has been the matter of delivery and length of time that it has taken for the goods

to arrive but with the tremendous strain placed upon shipping generally and on certain ports in particular, we are surprised that the authorities have been able to uphold such a service as exists to-day."

## Real Blitz

"During the last few months we have had several visitations from our nocturnal enemy, but it was not until the two nights of Sunday and Monday, December 22 and 23, that we had what is now known as a real 'Blitz' and, even to those who had experience in the last war, this new kind of warfare has really to be seen in order to be believed, because it defies description by any other than an artist."

"That damage was done, and serious damage at that, cannot be denied; but, as usual, the brunt fell upon the civilian and commercial community, and it is indeed sad to see the wanton destruction of famous landmarks that have no bearing on the national war effort and which, under no stretch of the imagination, can be called military objectives."

"To those of you who know Manchester it really hurts to think of the Royal Exchange, Corn Exchange, Cathedral, Free Trade Hall (home of the Halle Concerts), to name but a few of the buildings, destroyed."

"Considering the intensity and the ferocity of the attack, the damage, bad enough though it is, is greatly less than might have been expected; but, what really is important, the damage to the war effort is practically nil, and as long as this remains the case, we, of the civilian army, can and will take it."

"Naturally, the whole tenor of our lives is temporarily changed because, as we have mentioned, this war is so different from the last inasmuch as, except for the Middle East, it is the civilian and not the soldier who is in the front line."

## Marvellous Spirit

"To most of us home life is a thing of the past, because nearly every member of our staff is giving, according to their age and fitness, nearly all their spare time to voluntary national service."

"The one thing which we want to impress upon such good friends as yourselves far away in Hongkong is the fact that the spirit of this country is marvellous—in fact, as always, the best of this country has been and is only being seen when up against adversity."

"Apart from the trial of nocturnal bombing we live, as you know, under the threat of invasion, and we ask you to believe us when we say that, as far as invasion is concerned, the unanimous feeling is 'let the . . . try it, and the sooner the better, and we will show him!'"

## New Zealand Farms Meet War Programme

Substantial success of the New Zealand Government's war-time farm production programme was described recently by the new Agricultural Minister, James G. Barclay. He said the main feature of the programme was increase in animal products, which involved raising larger crops.

He asserted that there had been only one notable failure in this crop schedule. The North Island had been asked to raise 20,000 acres of barley, yet only 5,000 acres were sown.

Crops harvested will be ample to feed the larger flocks which the Dominion now possessed, he added. Lumbering last Spring was the highest since 1936, and there are 750,000 more lambs on the farms than last year.

## Milk Foods For Britain

The key production plan of milk foods for Great Britain has been

## POCKET CARTOON



"I'm sorry, signora, but il Duce he no ricevuta da resignations in da siena hour."

## Luftwaffe Trying To Fly Higher

By F. G. H. Salusbury

A STRUGGLE for height will provide the greatest technical battle between the R.A.F. and the Luftwaffe in 1941.

The Germans are now devoting particular attention to fast, extremely high-flying bombers.

If they can produce a machine which can, more or less, meet our fighters on level terms, the year will probably see a revival—or an attempted revival—of day bombing in force.

## Chief Attack

It was during the Battle of Britain in the autumn that our fighters drove the German day bomber out of the sky, and compelled Goering to adopt night bombing as his chief attack.

The Germans have always preferred day bombing, if only for the reason that aircraft whose function is to clear the way for invasion must see what they are doing.

The extreme height aimed at is not ideal for observation or accurate bombing, but it would largely obviate the danger of defending fighters descending on the bombers' backs.

## New Tactics

Clouds of enemy fighters would engage the defenders, while the bombers, flying at a tremendous height, would proceed with the minimum of escort.

The new tactics will, presumably, develop on these lines—if we let them.

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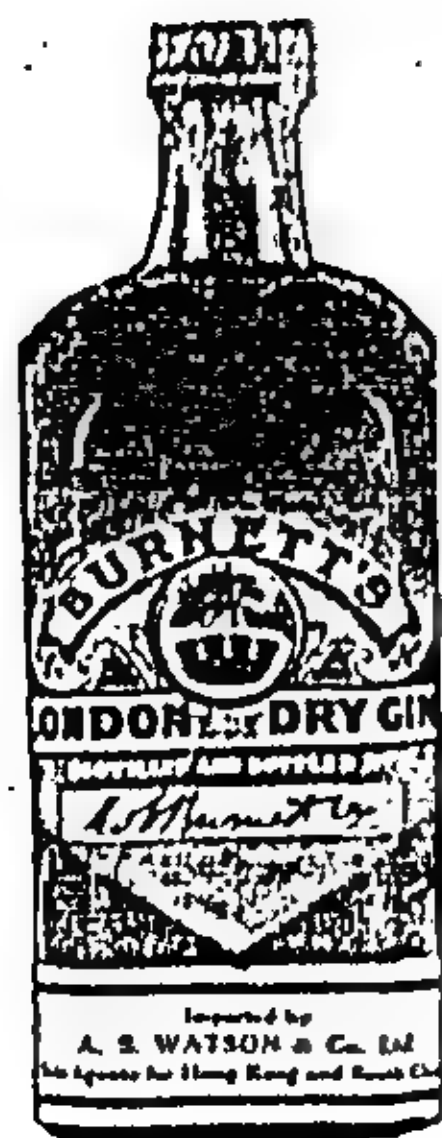
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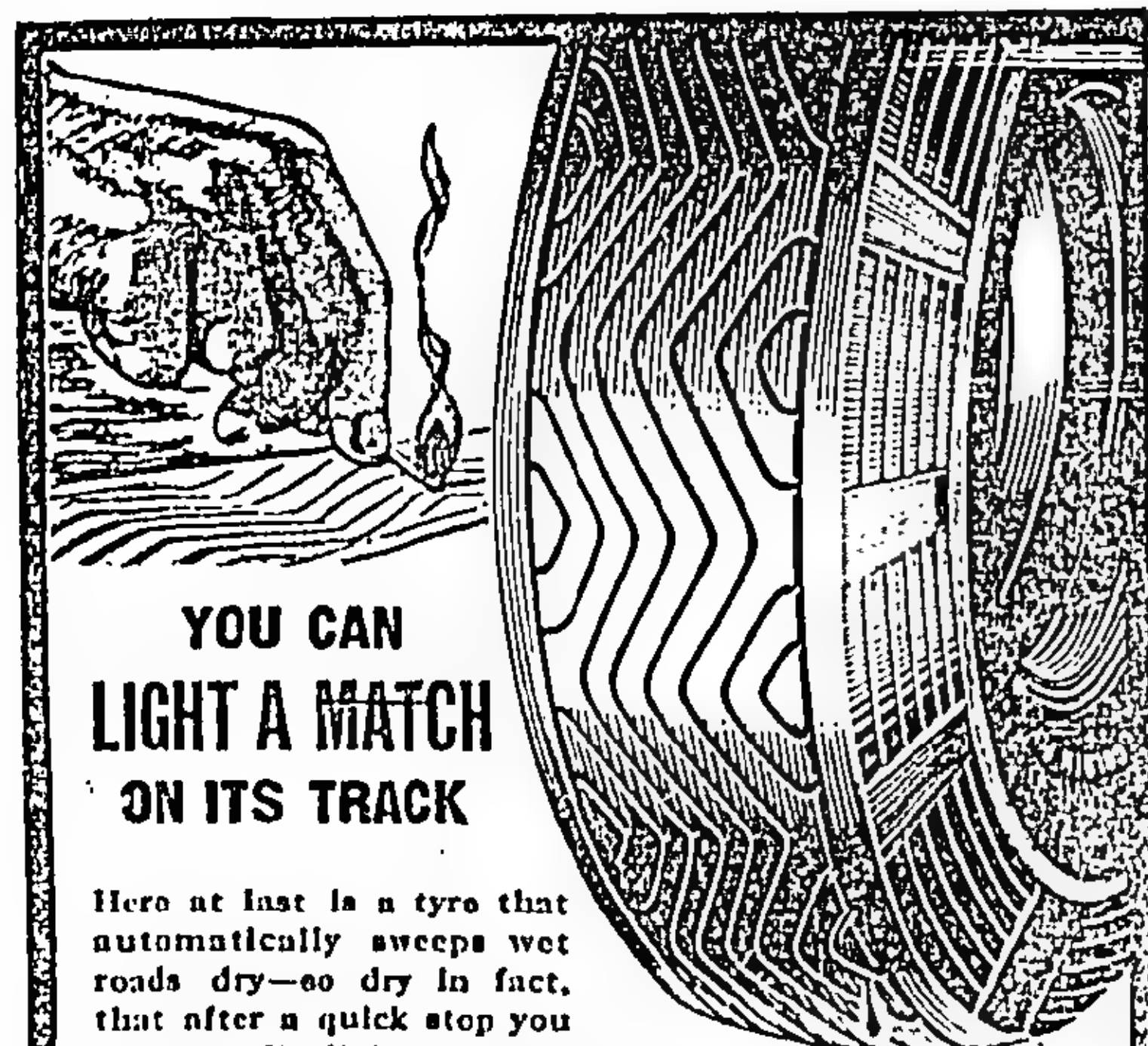
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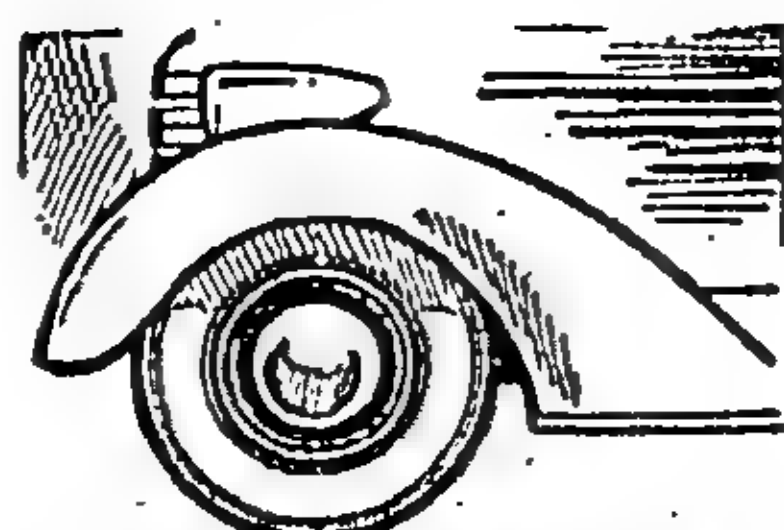
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**D'AZEVEDO.**—At the Kowloon Hospital at 10.40 p.m. on March 13, 1941, Bertha Noronha d'Azevedo, aged 42 years, wife of V. F. d'Azevedo. Funeral will pass through Monument to-day at 5.30 p.m.

## The Hongkong Telegraph.

Friday, March 14, 1941.

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### GOVERNOR RETURNS

HONGKONG bids welcome to its Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, who has returned from England after a 10-months' absence. The Colony's greeting is warm and sincere, and the occasion made all the happier by the re-assurance that His Excellency has fully recovered from the indisposition which caused him to leave last May.

When Sir Geoffrey arrived in Hongkong to take up his responsible office in November, 1937, it was generally noted by the press that he came at a difficult and delicate time, the Colony being faced with internal problems and external threats sufficient to test the administrative ability and tact of any man. Unhappily, international events have decreed that His Excellency must return to find the Colony facing a situation even more acute than it was three and a half years ago. During the past ten months the situation in the Far East has deteriorated to such an extent that it has been found necessary for the Colony to take the fullest measures of defence. There has been an evacuation of the naval and military families as well as a large proportion of British civilian women and children; compulsory military training has been put into effect; A.R.P. precautions have been trebled; taxation has been considerably increased; for the first time in the Colony's history immigration regulations have been introduced; the Colony has been living, and continues to live, in an atmosphere of tension and wondering expectancy.

His Excellency, however, has been one of the millions at home who, during the past year, have learnt to "take it," and Hongkong can therefore look forward to calm and inspiring leadership from its chief executive should the future bring new crises and anxieties. On the other hand, Sir Geoffrey can regard, with no little satisfaction, the fact that under the able guidance of Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton—His Excellency's deputy during the past eight months—Hongkong has attained itself to war needs, has mobilised men and women into efficient defensive units, and generally speaking fitted itself for whatever the future

# THE REAL HEROES

By John Gordon

To the rest of the world the British must seem an extraordinary race. They have performed in the mass during the past year feats of valour probably unequalled in their own history or in the history of any other nation. Yet in their modesty they decline to tell the story of their valour with anything approaching adequacy, or to permit anyone else to do it for them.

Take the instance of the Battle of Britain. On one sunny Sunday afternoon in September the whole fate of the British Empire, and the whole future of the world, depended on about two thousand young men. As the Luftwaffe crossed the Channel to strike what was to be the blow that was to open the way to the invading army, these young men rose in the air and raced into battle. Before night fell they had smashed Hitler. He has never recovered from that afternoon and he never will.

Those young British airmen that day wrote into history one of history's greatest pages. Yet hardly one person in Britain could tell you to-day the name of one of them. They are anonymous heroes. They will live in legend as anonymous heroes. Is there another nation on earth that could have thrown such a veil round immortality? I doubt it. To be so sure of your strength and greatness that you can be proud of it without boasting of it is surely the perfection of confidence.

You might think that even if they hushed up the story of their mass heroism, the British might pay a public tribute to the outstanding bravery of individuals. But no! They are just as secretive about individuals. Recently, one British air station celebrated the bringing down by its squadrons of their 608th German airplane. No other station has equalled this record. You

might suppose that the Commander of this station, who is adored by his men, as one of the greatest air leaders of the war, would receive public recognition of his triumph. But no! He is too modest.

This modesty seems to run through the whole nation. The first girl to win the new George Medal for bravery in Civil Defence was an office typist. Almost without training she found herself in the middle of one of those terrifying air raid dramas which officially the British refer to as "an incident."

She carried out a series of rescues with the utmost calmness and bravery. Shortly afterwards, when awarded her medal, she was asked what her feelings had been. She replied modestly. "At the end of the day I thought to myself this has been a most unpleasant day."

A truly heroic understatement, but typically British.

These civilian air raid defence forces have become a most remarkable body. No soldiers in the field have exceeded in pluck or in discipline the magnificent women who on pitch black nights, with fire bombs and high explosives crashing down all around them, carry the victims of raiders from the bombed houses to the hospitals. Some of them are girls of 18, some middle-aged mothers of families. They go about their work in pairs with no man to support them. Some have died, many have been wounded, but there is hardly a record of one giving up. They see the most appalling side of war, grievously wounded babies, and frenzied mothers, the bodies being carried from the ruins of homes, and the bodies too, that cannot be carried away.

The other evening, while London was being raided, when the whole sky was lit by fires, and bombs seemed to be dropping by the hundred, I stood with two of these ambulance girls beside a rubble heap that ten minutes before had been a happy home. Only one high side wall was still standing.

From the middle of the rubble came a muffled cry. We scrambled across the stones shouting "Where are you?" A girl's voice answered "Here." "How many?" we shouted. "Five," she said. "We are under a table which is holding up the stones." We stepped back into the dark road to call a demolition squad to the rescue. As we did so the standing side wall fell with a crash on the spot where the five victims lay burying them hopelessly. Five lives more to the war account.

A few minutes later both girls were in their ambulance carrying a screaming woman to the First Aid Post. I saw them many times more that night. They told me several stories of their subsequent adventures, some moving, some amusing. But I was struck by the fact that they never once mentioned how narrowly they had escaped death themselves. They were as unconscious of the heroism as are their men in the air.

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may hold. Lieutenant-General Norton can hand back the reins of government to Sir Geoffrey in the full knowledge that he has accomplished a difficult task with impressive speed and efficiency.

## Ominous Rumbblings from Vesuvius!



## Tell them now about

# OUR NEW ORDER

By Lady Rhondda

IF the Press is the Fourth Estate of the Realm, propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied countries is in wartime the fourth Service arm.

It is not surprising, therefore, that although it is just about as difficult to follow the details of our overseas propaganda as to follow the details of the movements of our fleet, the public takes a very considerable interest in how that propaganda is done. It ought to.

There is a widespread impression that up to now it has not been done as well as it might have been. That is pretty certainly true.

But I do not think our propaganda has deserved all the hard things that have been said about it.

Parts of it have been excellent. It has shown one great merit, perhaps the greatest of all. The facts have been given soberly, honestly and without exaggeration.

### Truthful News

It is an enormous thing to have achieved for our news service that it is to-day the one European news service in which the whole world believes.

I have sometimes heard it argued that the success of our news service is enough. That to give the facts is all that we need to do. But it is not.

People are apt to talk as if there were something inherently dishonest about propaganda.

This is nonsense. Propaganda is not in the least inherently dishonest. Its morality depends upon what you are talking about—and why. And on whether you tell the truth about it.

But obviously before you can do propaganda you must have something to talk about, and it must be worth talking about.

### Where We Fail

And that brings me to the chief thing which has, I think, been wrong with our propaganda up to date. Insofar as we have failed to put our point of view across it has been because we had never properly formulated it even to ourselves.

In the first place, whom is our propaganda for? It is for the countries now dominated by Germany—Poland, Norway, Holland and the rest. It is for the people inside Germany. And it is for the people who are prepared to fight sooner than be dominated by Germany.

What do these countries want?

They want freedom and they want security and peace. That is, they want above all to be assured that this kind of thing is not going to happen again.

### We're Too Modest

Now in her New Order Germany offers them two out of the three things they ask for. She offers them peace, and a kind of security: that is, she offers them an assurance that this war will not begin again.

True, the peace is the peace of a desert. True, the New Order is order under the heel of the conqueror. But men can come to such a pass, such a state of hopeless misery and despair, that even peace in Hell seems worth the taking.

When we answer Germany by saying to these small nations, "You shall all have your independence back when we win. Europe shall revert to the thirty or so completely sovereign states of which she consisted before the war," is it surprising if they give a sigh of despair?

For they know very well that not one of them can defend their sovereignty when they get it. The fact is that in the past we have shown ourselves to be much too modest.

"Germany," said Professor Madariaga recently, "wants to dominate the world," and he added hopefully, "Great Britain wants to organise it."

"Hopefully," because that is exactly what Britain has always tried to avoid doing, and she does not even yet seem to realise that if we are ever to have lasting peace that is just what she must make up her mind to do.

But I am quite sure that unless we do organise Europe at least, Germany will dominate it. If not in 1941, then in 1951.

Our trouble in the past, as I say, is that we have been too modest. For we—we and America—could organise the world if we chose. If we—and America—were first to make up our minds what we proposed to do, and then to tell other nations of the world that we meant to do it, we might get at a comparatively low cost a lasting peace.

What we should tell them, I think, is that we propose to establish both at home and abroad the civilisation for which we are now fighting.

We should add that we hope and believe that all our Allies will be of the same mind as ourselves in this matter, and that we shall welcome their active help in our task.

That we hope and believe the majority of the people of Germany will, when they have thrown off their present rulers, also be of the same mind as to what constitutes civilisation. But that whether they are or not will make but little difference.

For that civilisation is what in any case we propose to establish—in detail at home, and in its broad principles wherever our writ runs. And that in future any country which attempts to break its fundamental laws will have to reckon with America and with Britain.

### Policing The World

The policing of the world (yes, that is what it comes to) will be a perfect curse to us, and to America, of course. But not half the curse that this war is.

The establishment in Great Britain of the civilisation for which we are fighting (and it would obviously be quite impossible to take the lead in establishing civilisation abroad unless we were first prepared to set an example at home) will involve making this island into a real democracy.

As Herbert Morrison remarked the other day, "It is high time that we outgrow our economic swaddling clothes, and the system of social inequality and privilege that accompanies them."

The establishment of that civilisation in broad outline throughout Europe will not involve any interference with the internal affairs of other nations except in so far as they interfere with those of their neighbours.

### A Lead For Peace

But we shall have to say that we do regard as interference, any economic laws calculated to upset the easy functioning of the internal economy of Europe; any attempt at aggression by military or economic methods. And lastly, that we shall regard as interference with its neighbours any bullying or torturing by any country of its own minorities.

There must be no more pogroms or concentration camp brutalities, for they are the kind of things that lead to wars. And we do not propose to permit practices that are likely to lead to wars.

We—we and America—are the leaders of the civilised world, and it is the business of leaders to lead in peace as well as in war. Until we get that into our heads we shall inevitably fail in our propaganda, because we shall have no propaganda to put across.

Before you have propaganda you must have a policy. And once you have the right policy your propaganda just makes itself.

All we need is first the courage to realise what we shall inevitably have to do if we are ever to know real peace. And, secondly, the courage to tell the world that we mean to do it.



## Allied Armies Drawing Near Abyssinia Capital

NAIROBI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—More progress in the advance from the south towards Addis Ababa is recorded in a communiqué issued here to-day.

Patriot forces, it is now confirmed, have occupied Yavello, 70 miles north of Mega. The patriots are following up the Italians' retreat in co-operation with the Imperial forces from Molo.

In Italian Somaliland, the British forces surprised the enemy at Dagubur, a post 100 miles south of Jijiga and captured prisoners and the lorries in which they were preparing to escape.

### Second Largest Town

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Our advance forces are now 90 miles from Jijiga which is linked by road with Harar, the second largest town in Abyssinia. It is pointed out that we are now advancing along the road which the Italians built in their campaign against the Ethiopians.

### Advance From Sudan

KHARTOUM, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Maintaining their relentless pressure following the fall of Afeka, 45 miles inside Abyssinia from Kurnuk, British forces have now taken Asosa, 40 miles south-east of Kurnuk. Asosa was captured on Tuesday evening after combined operations by the Sudan Defence Force and East African troops.

Details of the action are not yet received.

## YUGO-SLAVIA

### Resists Axis Demands

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Yugo-Slavs are resisting Nazi pressure, according to the Ankara radio to-night.

"The Yugo-Slavs are resolutely determined to remain neutral," said the Turkish announcer, "and German pressure is fast leading to anti-Axis feeling in Yugo-Slavia."

The announcer added that although an understanding between Germany and Yugo-Slavia was claimed yesterday, a subsequent change in the German demands seemed to have prevented the Yugo-Slavs from signing the agreement.

### Half An Agreement

BELGRADE, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—While the Germans have been pressing Yugo-Slavia to sign the Tripartite Pact, well-informed quarters, though emphasizing Yugo-Slavia's desire for good relations with all her neighbours, including Germany, insist that any "concessions" made to the Nazis must be "consonant with the nation's real interests."

It is thought that Yugo-Slavia may be prepared to accept, firstly, an expression of friendship and non-aggression; secondly, some instrument giving formal shape to the existing economic relations between the two countries.

Meanwhile calm prevailed in Belgrade to-day as the Yugo-Slav-German conversations continued through the normal diplomatic channels.

## Day Of Prayer

A telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received to the effect that His Majesty King George VI. has appointed Sunday, March 24 as a national day of prayer for strength and guidance in days to come and of thanksgiving for blessings already received.

## Bombs Concealed In Legation Luggage

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The fact that the bomb which exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel at Istanbul was surreptitiously added to the British Legation's hand luggage before it left Sofia is confirmed in a report from Mr George W. Rendel, the former British Minister in Sofia, to the Foreign Office in London.

The report says that two suitcases were placed in the train. They appeared to contain dirty clothing, old newspapers and dry batteries.

After one had exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel, the second was thrown into a pit in open ground by a clerk

## CHINA'S EDUCATION EPIC

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The exodus of Chinese universities to West China before the Japanese advance will prove one of the greatest epics in history when the story is fully written, said Professor E. R. Hughes, Professor of Chinese at Oxford, lecturing at the Chinese Institute.

Both the exodus and the continuance of the universities under intolerable war difficulties were a strikingly characteristic exhibition of the Chinese spirit in the 20th century.

### Disabilities Removed

Professor Hughes paid tribute to the zeal with which war disabilities were gradually being removed and emphasised the place which "sound learning" always had in the traditions of the Chinese people and their eagerness for all branches of knowledge to-day.

Higher education in China, he said, had much to do with preparing those positive and constructive forces of man's spirit on which the well-being of the future depends.

## GERMANS BEST PEOPLE

### Goebbels Again

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Four centuries of German history are in the course of revision, declared Dr Goebbels, speaking at Vienna on the occasion of the anniversary of the Austrian Anschluss.

He described Germans as the greatest and soundest people on earth and the German Army as the best in the world.

There remained the last enemy—England.

Referring to Vienna's problems, he said that everyone had burdens but they should remember that the Fuehrer bore the greatest burden of them all and was himself a son of Austria.

## OIL ON PACIFIC WATERS

### Japanese Envoy's Speech

SYDNEY, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Australian fears of Japan were described as "completely unnecessary" by Mr Tatsuo Kawai, the first Japanese Minister to Australia, on arrival here to-day.

He said: "Australia is for Australia and Asia for Asia." It is hoped to see a "geographical, social, commercial, economic and political" axis between Australia and Asia.

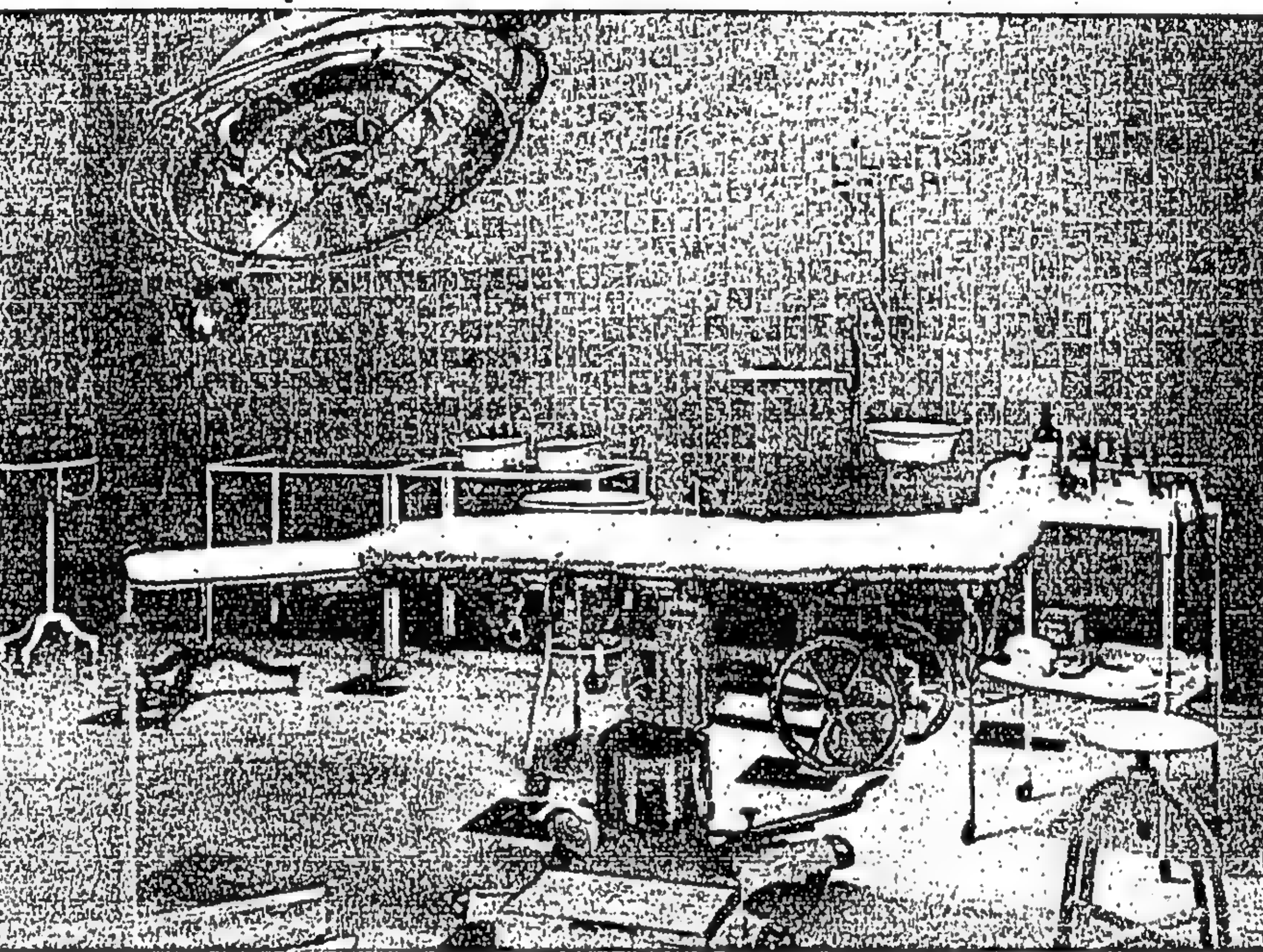
## Auxiliary Ship Sunk

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The auxiliary vessel, *Manitree*, has been sunk, according to an Admiralty communiqué.

The *Manitree* was a converted vessel of 5,300 tons.

## Hongkong's Latest Hospital

Hongkong's latest hospital—the Tai Wo—which is fully equipped with modern appliances, is being opened to-day at No. 1 Babington Path. Here are two pictures of the hospital, one giving an exterior view and the other showing the operating theatre.—Sun Ying Ming Studio.



## Egypt Is Happy In Alliance

### Faith In Democracies

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's faith in a democratic victory was expressed in an interview with "Reuter" to-day by Egypt's Premier, Hussein Sirry Pasha.

"Egypt has voluntarily ranged herself on the side of the democracies and we have every confidence that the democracies will emerge victorious from the struggle," he declared.

Referring to his talks with Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, he said that Egypt was going to supply Britain with cotton, onions, wheat and rice and that Britain would supply the shipping.

Stressing that Egypt has fulfilled all her obligations under the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, the Premier declared: "With mutual goodwill, which prevails between the two countries who are so closely linked together, no difference will arise. We shall march on together towards ultimate victory."

## Assisting China

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—At question time in the House of Commons to-day, Mr Harcourt Johnstone, Secretary for Overseas Trade, said that hitherto no part of the British credits to China had been used for purchase abroad.

The Labour member, Mr. M. P. Price, interposed: "Is everything being done that can be done to assist the Chinese Republic in the present struggle?" Mr Johnstone: "Yes."

## FOOD SHORTAGE REPORTED FROM WUHAN CITY AREA

CHANGTEH, Mar. 14 (Central News).—There is an acute shortage of foodstuffs in Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang, Yangtze cities now under Japanese occupation, according to Chinese refugees who arrived here from Hankow. Rice is sold at more than \$100 per picul.

## India Forestalls Some Post-War Problems

NEW DELHI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that the Raj have had under consideration the necessity of taking steps to ensure that the services of all desiring to assist in the prosecution of the war should be utilised to the fullest extent.

Youths suitable for emergency-commissions are called for and also those suitable for civil employment.

There are reasons to believe that such persons may hesitate to apply for emergency commissions, fearing to lose permanently their chances of civil employment after the war.

"The Raj consider it desirable to remove these apprehensions."

It has, therefore, been decided, with the approval of the Secretary of State for India, to leave 50 per cent. of the annual vacancies occurring in the Indian Civil Service and the Indian Police unfilled with a view to their being made available after the war to be filled by suitable candidates with war service.

### Natives And Europeans

This decision applies equally to recruitment of Indians and Europeans and to recruitment made in India and in England.

The Raj propose to apply a similar scheme of reservation to the central services with necessary modifications imposed by the peculiar requirements of particular services.

The provincial governments are expected to make their own pronouncements in respect of the services under their control.

The vacancies thus reserved will be filled immediately after the war from candidates who rendered approved war service.

## Kitchen Sacrifices For Democracy

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The American house-wife will have to do without aluminium pots and pans in future in order to help win the war for democracy.

The aluminium utensil industry has been virtually told by the National Defence Priorities Board that they will not be able to get aluminium in future.

This ban on the manufacture of aluminium pots and pans is the first total restriction since the defence programme started.



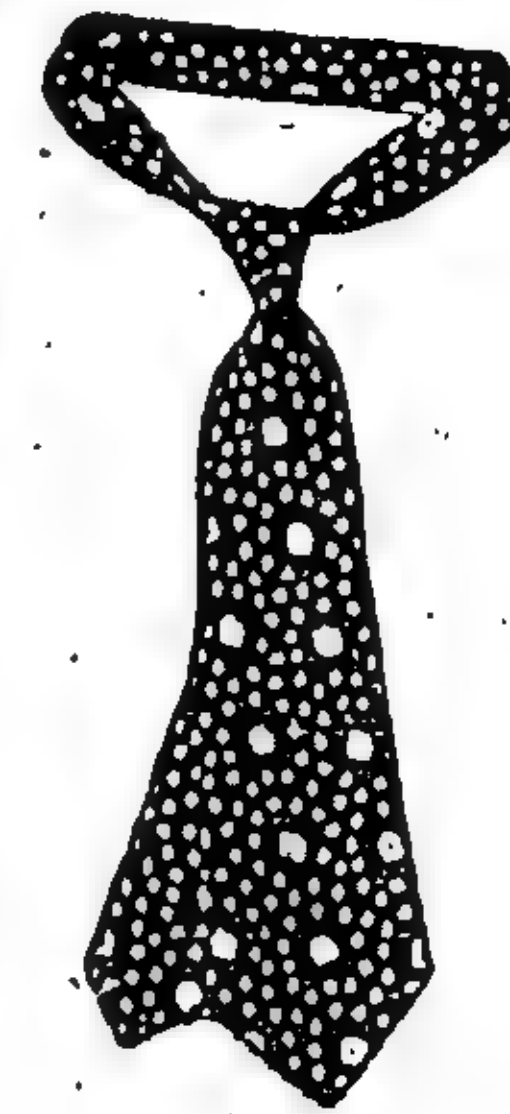
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## HONGKONG INTERPORT XI



Hongkong Hockey XI.—K. Hussain (Umpire), V. C. Bond, A. E. P. Guest (Umpire), V. M. Benwell, J. Gonsalves, H. L. Ozorio, Gurbachan Singh. Front row: Karminder Singh, R. Marques, B. Gosano, W. A. Reed, W. Brown and N. Whitley.

### The Melbourne Cup

## The Main Event On Programme

### Baffin Bay Favoured

THE MELBOURNE CUP was inaugurated the year when a consignment of 20 Australian subscription ponies raced for the first time in Hongkong at the 1931 Annual Carnival.

Following is a list of winners since the inception:

Year	Pony	Weight	Jockey	Distance	Time
1931	Woodland Stag	158 lb.	Quincey	1 1/2 miles	2:29 4/5
1932	Woodland Stag	166 ..	Quincey	From Two Mile Post, once round and in	2:04 4/5
1933	Woodland Stag	166 ..	Frost	-do-	2:04 4/5
1934	Woodland Stag	160 ..	Frost	-do-	2:09 4/5
1935	Able Amazon	160 ..	D. S. L.	-do-	1:59 4/5
1936	Bag Tor	160 ..	Preulx	-do-	2:03 4/5
1937	Strathroy	154 ..	Black	1 1/2 miles	2:12
1938	Electron	154 ..	Needa	-do-	2:16 4/5
1939	Lucky Lad	154 ..	Needa	-do-	2:14 4/5
1940	Lucky Lad	151 ..	Needa	-do-	2:14 4/5

It will be seen from the above that the mighty Woodland Stag annexed the Melbourne Cup four years in succession, and there was no doubt that the bay measuring 14.1 hands was a great carrier of weights.

It was not a handicap event, but in 1932 the weight was 152 lb. and winners at any time of one race 5 lb. penalty, of two races 10 lb., of three or more races 14 lb.

Being a winner of several races, the pony had to shoulder 166 lb. for two years, but in 1934 the weight was lowered to 146 lb. with the same ratio of extra poundage for winners. In the first three years Woodland Stag was owned by the original subscriber, the late Mr. Chan Tin-on, and the last of pony's racing career was in Mr. L. Dunbar's colours. However, the weight was brought down to 140 lb. in 1937.

In 1935 Able Amazon carrying 160 lb. established a record time of 1:59 4/5 over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, and it was certainly a creditable performance.

The run for the last four years has been over the champion course of 1 1/2 miles, but to-morrow the distance of

this classic event has been lengthened to two miles. The weight is same, commencing at 140 lb. for non-winners, but a ban has been placed on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941, and this has only put a full stop to the entry of Distant View, Sapper and United Express.

### Good Nominations

THE Cup has undoubtedly attracted a few good nominations for this valuable first prize of \$2,000—and a fairly representative field should face the start. Though class does not predominate among the entry, we have some useful stayers in the contest and a good race is assured.

Baffin Bay (winner of 1939 Fremantle St. Leger), Brutus of 1941 Ladies Purse over two miles, Far View of 1940 Rooty-Hill Derby, Marsh Warbler of 1941 Austral Pleading Stakes over 1 1/2 miles, Pleadilly Jim of two handicap events of two miles in 1940, and Triumphant Day of 1939 Rooty-Hill Derby, are definitely accepting. Electwing is sure starter with Mr. Poy in the saddle and so will Victory with Mr. Black up. My best three are Baffin Bay, Far View and Marsh Warbler.

# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## First Extra Meeting

### Nine Events: Randwick Plate Divided Into Four Sections

THE FIRST EXTRA Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley with a proviso "weather permitting" and there are the usual nine events to be contested.

With a "mute Royal Observatory" no one can predict what sort of a weather we are going to have, but with heavy clouds prevailing at time of writing coupled with white horses in the harbour, it is almost certain as daylight on the morrow that the grass track will be soft, but not heavy.

The important event of to-morrow's racing in point of class is the Melbourne Cup over two miles for all Australian ponies with a ban on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941. It is a valuable event, for the first prize is worth \$2,000 to the winner with \$750 and \$500 respectively for the two lower positions in the semaphore.

The Randwick Plate for non-winning Australian subscription ponies of this season has attracted no less than 62 nominations, but the entries have been drawn into four sections, and the first prize in each division is \$1,000.

This means that the field will not be cramped with over a dozen runners in each section, and there is a golden opportunity for those placed ponies to make amends.

It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. Eric Moller's string of over a dozen fine animals will not be returning to Shanghai until after the first half racing season, and Mr. Peter Wei has been entrusted to pilot the stable.

### The Curtain Raiser

FIRST paddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. when the first section of the Randwick Plate will be the curtain raiser. The run is over the mile. Among the sixteen drawn in this section there should not be any difficulty to spot the winner, for Jus Gentium is head and shoulders above the rest.

We need not consider Vitamin M. who is under a cloud, and I doubt either Araxy II or Seal River will be a menace to Mr. S. W. Lee's candidate.

It is learned that the champion jockey will ride Jus Gentium and the nomination will no doubt be a hot favourite.

### First Leg Of Daily Double

THE FIRST LEG of the daily double event is on the Randwick Plate (third section) for Australian subscription ponies, and the contest, I am afraid, is going to be a tame affair. Black Seal should have an easy run with The Koola Bear and Bendigo to follow in the rear.

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Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

### Macao Racing Postponed

The next race meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, originally scheduled for March 23, has been postponed to April 6.

### Badminton Championship Commences

FIRST MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championships were played at King's College last night. These were:

Senior Singles  
P. K. Hooi beat S. Amplavannar 15-5, 15-7.  
Junior Singles  
J. L. Anderson beat H. Wong-toh 15-10, 18-16.  
Junior Doubles  
T. S. Young and M. K. Fung beat D. Chelliah and K. H. Khoo 18-16, 12-15, 15-8.

Hooi was far superior to Amplavannar in court-craft. The latter had a fine turn of speed, and was equally adept in the various shots of the game, but he was opposed to a player who had excellent command of direction, and in this he was eventually defeated.

As can be seen from the score, Hooi was never pressed. His steadiness carried him through several of the interesting duels, for his defence was ever a foil to Amplavannar's speed and smashing.

### Doubles Duel

THE DOUBLES match produced some of the most exciting moments of the evening. Young and Fung took the first game, after setting at 13-11, lost the second in an equally close struggle, but in the third triumphed through greater stamina. Young was the better of the winners, but Chelliah, with a fine touch and control, was the best on the court. With better support from Khoo the match would easily have gone the other way.

### Junior Singles

J. L. ANDERSON, though victorious, did not have matter all his own way against H. Wong-toh. The former, with better strategy, took several points when the latter was hopelessly out-positioned. It was, in fact, Anderson's better control and clever mixing of his shots that carried him through a close match.

The second game was anybody's until after it had been settled at 13-11.

### Derby And Oaks May Be Run At Newbury

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—For the first time in its history the Derby will be run at Newbury, probably on the Saturday of a meeting fixed for June 6 and 7, with the Oaks on the first day of the meeting.

The stewards have arranged, according to the racing calendar, for the fixtures at the Newbury meeting, but do not say which race will be held on which day, though a reliable authority gives the Derby for the more popular day, Saturday.

It has also been decided to hold the Ascot races at the Newmarket meeting of June 18 and 19.

### "Y" Hockey Teams

Following will represent the Y.M.C.A. at hockey on the "Y" ground on Saturday:  
1st XI v. Khalsa (4.15 p.m.)—Benwell, Taylor, Gouriet, Jordan, Coombes, Waldron, Spence, Morgan, Hitecock, Ure, Dunne.  
2nd XI v. A. Navy XI (3 p.m.)—Clegg, Raiton, Feaby, Sells, Tomlinson, Gorman, Macy, Olsen, Dormer, Fancey, Banks.

### Randwick Plate

#### Second Section

### Corsair Has Chance To Finish First

IN A FIELD OF 24 runners, which was a record for Australian ponies, Corsair finished third behind A Surprising Time and Black Seal in the Flemington Plate (first section) over the mile.

I have great confidence that the mare by Fleuriste will run away with the second section of the Randwick Plate and it is hoped that Corsair will not let me down.

It is interesting to recall that Jus Gentium, whom I have tipped for the opening event, and Corsair are the offsprings of the same sire.

Bona Vacantia and Daylight are good for places.

Much was expected of Sydney Diamond, but, as the precious stone has cost the public too much money, it would be advisable to leave the chestnut alone.

The pony is a nice galloper and it would interest one to know whether Sydney Diamond is a stinker. The other alternative is perhaps that he does not like a muddy course.

### Loiterers Stakes

## CHARLESBER CHALLENGED

THERE ARE 13 entries for the Loiterers Stakes confined to China pony griffins of this season over six furlongs.

I have reason to believe that Charlesber is not a sprinter and the stallion will have to be at his best to stave off the strong challenge of Wonderful Scheme who is well keyed for the fight.

As a place-getter Iron Beauty is recommended, but for a big dividend Lovely View is worth following.

### Second Leg Of Daily Double

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double event is on the Broadmeadows Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile and the winner is to receive \$1,000.

With Caterick Bridge and Centre Court-out-of-the-road, Venus Bay should not have any trouble making her acquaintance with the judge.

However, strong opposition may come from either Bruno, Cheerful Star or Cockleoi, Mr. Needa on Venus Bay is sure to give a fine exhibition of hard riding against the front line invaders.

### L. Karpovich Leads Chess Tournament

L. KARPOVICH maintains his lead in the Colony Chess Championship. He beat G. S. Coxhead last night after a 6 1/2 hours' game, the latter resigning on the 78th move.

E. Zimmerman, last year's runner-up, and third in the table to date, beat K. Weiss.

Present standings are:  
L. Karpovich ..... 6 1/2 points  
E. Zimmerman ..... 4 1/2 points  
M. Sequeira ..... 3 1/2 points  
G. Coxhead ..... 3 points  
K. Weiss ..... 2 points  
Carvalho ..... 1 1/2 points

### Junior Matches

In the Junior Tournament, A. Y. Birukoff beat A. Kurrik; Un Kwai-yung beat V. V. Kolatchoff; J. Grefalda beat A. Morton; and J. Tausz beat J. H. D'Almeida.

### Race Horses Burned To Death In Manila Fire

MANILA, Mar. 12.—Four race horses belonging to Elias Cordiales, better known to racing fans as Jockey Elias, were burned to death late last night in a fire which destroyed six houses in barrio Baclaran, Paranaque.

The fire started in the house of Jockey Elias, but its origin could not be determined. Police estimated total damage at P2,000. Two persons were taken for investigation.

The horses, Anakang, Marathon, Remichet and Novatos, were tied under Elias' house by their grooms, Manuel Esquerre and Diosdado Vasquez, who were asleep when the fire started. They could have been saved, police said, but the blaze had spread before the grooms were awakened. Anakang, which ran its last race Sunday, was valued at P1,000. The other three were priced at P250 each.

## MACAO INTERPORT XI



The Victorious Macao XI.—Back row: F. Nolasco, Albert Airoso, P. Angelo Jr., L. Costa and R. Angelo. Centre row: J. Nolasco, Alex Airoso and J. Silva. Kneeling—J. Ferreira, C. Capitulo and A. Basto.

### Moonee Ponds Handicap

## Stake Money Increased For "B" Class Australians

IN THE MOONEE PONDS Handicap for "B" class Australian ponies I expect to see a big field, and there are, no doubt, several good milers in the list of entries. Last year the first prize stake money for "A" class raters was \$600 whereas to-morrow the winner is to receive \$1,000. We shall certainly see a good tussle.

### Oakleigh Plate For Non-winning Australians

THERE ARE 18 entries for the Oakleigh Plate confined to non-winning Australian imported griffins over a mile.

The stable belonging to Lee Bros heads the list with five candidates and they cost the owners a total sum of \$12,550.

During the five days of annual meeting they were only able to collect an aggregate of \$1,600 and the stake money was contributed by Lotus Standi (\$400), Noline Poemae (\$800) and Vis Major (\$800).

If Ornela weighs out to-morrow, their chances for premier place are not bright. Prairie View is the most dangerous pony to upset all calculations.

Looking over the handicaps, it is not easy to pick the winner, but I rate Connieber, Pumpnickel, Rowan and Vixen Tor as four dangerous candidates.

The last named is getting no younger, for the mare won of 1935 class, and the brown will be somewhat handicapped with the absence of Mr. Nodd as her pilot.

Rowan ran a very bad race in the Bendigo Handicap and it seemed that the sloppy track was the cause of her failure.

I like Pumpnickel provided, of course, the jockey can keep the bay to the post instead of running out at the band.

## A TIGHT FINISH

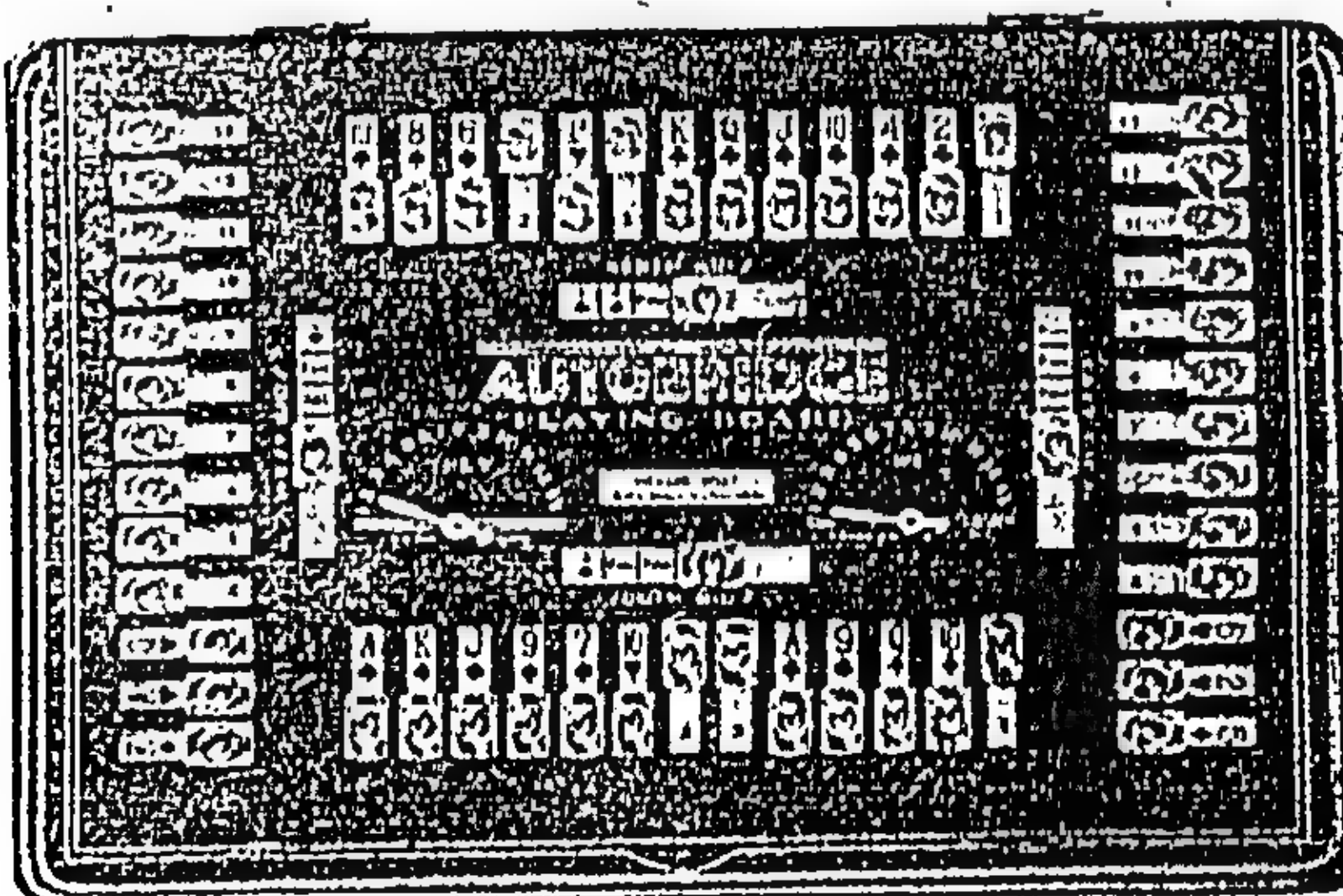
THE RANDWICK PLATE (fourth section) for Australian sub-griffins should result in a tight finish between A. Rosy Time, Optima Fide and Sydney Lady. The first named pony is my fancy.

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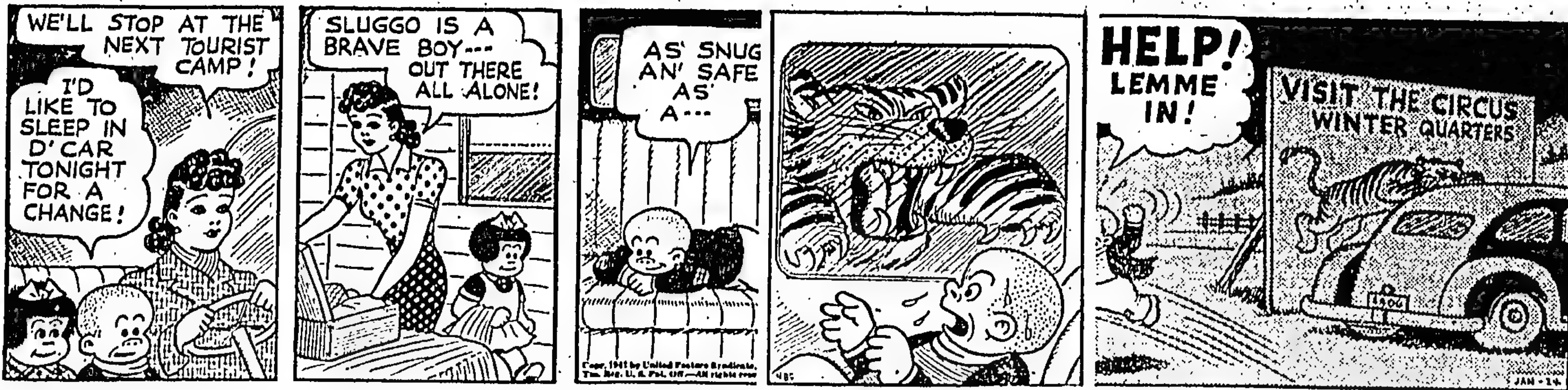
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By Ernie Bushmiller



## Germans Set Up Second Dachau in the Pyrenees

There is a second Dachau—the Nazi concentration camp in Bavaria—in a small village in the Basque Pyrenees, near Pau. The camp is five miles from the demarcation line, and German officers and commissions of various kinds frequently go over to see that their instructions are carried out.

The camp, which originally accommodated Republican Spaniards seeking refuge in France, was in May the chief concentration camp for German women in France. Now it is the main camp in France of Germans of both sexes.

The inmates are of two kinds: those previously interned in camps like St. Cyprien and St. Germain Les Bains and those direct from Germany. There are Jews and Liberals, mainly from the Palatinate and Baden.

### Herded Like Cattle

Hundreds of French men and women saw trainloads of people from Germany driven out of trucks like cattle at Oloron station. There were old and infirm persons, epileptics, sufferers from other diseases, and a sprinkling of those whom past sufferings had driven mad.

Their departure from Germany was hasty, and there was every sign of disorganization. A seven-months-old baby arrived without parents, and there were hundreds of cases of wives without husbands and vice versa.

Many did not have an opportunity to take the barest necessities. Transport conditions were such that when the human wreckage was unloaded four were dead. The Germans usually take the precaution of removing bodies before the prisoners arrive in the unoccupied zone.

Other prisoners died from pneumonia after their arrival. The Germans ordered the French not to help the prisoners in any way. If anything is done it is carried out secretly, but the French guards are in terror of the visits of the German commissioners.

There are about 13,000 prisoners in the camp. They are in sections, but there is no contact between them.

### In Quarantine

There is typhus in one section, which is in quarantine. The sufferings of people there are terrible. General conditions are bad, and food insufficient.

Restrictions that ensure that these conditions will continue have been imposed. Living conditions are cramped and uncomfortable. There are no seats in the huts, which are infested with vermin. Hygienic conditions are almost non-existent.

Prisoners continue to arrive in large numbers without warning, and the French authorities have no time to prepare anything. Many prisoners die from exposure.

Each sector is surrounded by barbed wire. It is estimated that the camp can accommodate 25,000 people, and it sometimes takes even a visiting priest two hours to see a particular inmate.

## Young Officer and Wife Found Dead in Embrace

In the flat in Brighton from which they were married two and a half years ago, Second Lieutenant Alfred Felix Departmentier Worsfield de la Bere, aged thirty-seven, and his twenty-seven-year-old wife, Sybil, were found dead recently clasped in each other's arms.

Friends told a "Daily Express" reporter stories of "wild parties" at the flat—in Vernon-terrace, Brighton—where the couple were host and hostess. They welcomed all friends with a drink, and had a "spyhole" in the door of their flat so that they would know who was outside.

When the couple were found a gas tube lay near them.

On the wall over her bed was a crucifix which Mrs de la Bere once said was made from the wood of the Cross at Calvary.

The husband adopted his wife's maiden name—her father was the Rev. John de la Bere, of Woolfordisworthy, Devon—when they were married in June 1933 at Brighton Register Office.

### Russian Honeymoon

At the ceremony which followed at the Brighton Chapel Royal the bride wore a veil on which her husband had painted flowers. They went to Russia for their honeymoon.

As a wedding gift Mr de la Bere, who was a brilliant architect—some of his drawings were hung at the Royal Academy—completely reconstructed an old Sussex manor house which was reputed to be haunted.

He spent thousands of pounds on the house, its furnishing and its grounds. The bathroom alone, which was lined with aquarium tanks, cost hundreds. In the grounds were kept two zebras which cost him fifty guineas each.

But they never lived there. He had several car crashes and had bought three new cars in eighteen months.

In his last accident he broke a leg. He was taken to the Vernon-terrace flat, where his wife had lived when single, and there she nursed him through a long illness.

### Army Took House

There they received news that their dream house had been taken over by the military.

One friend said: "They were a

charming couple and devoted to each other.

"After he left to join his unit—he volunteered and was given a commission—he seemed very lonely. Once she sent a note to me to ask me to visit her with a puppy they had given me because, she said, she had 'the blues'."

"She said to me: 'If my husband should die I should not want to live.' 'Although both had received legacies I think they had got through the money quickly. His illness cost them hundreds and they were both generous.'"

## Loyal Regiment Competition

### Moustache Growing

OFFICERS and men of the Loyal Regiment, now at Singapore, who entered the moustache-growing competition, begun in December, by their Commanding Officer Lieut.-Col. M. Ellington, have made their appearance before the judges.

The winner of the competition was Private F. Burton, of "A" Company, who is now \$5 richer as a result of the Commanding Officer and Capt. T. R. Brook, the adjutant of the Regiment, announcing him the "champion" by "a long hair."

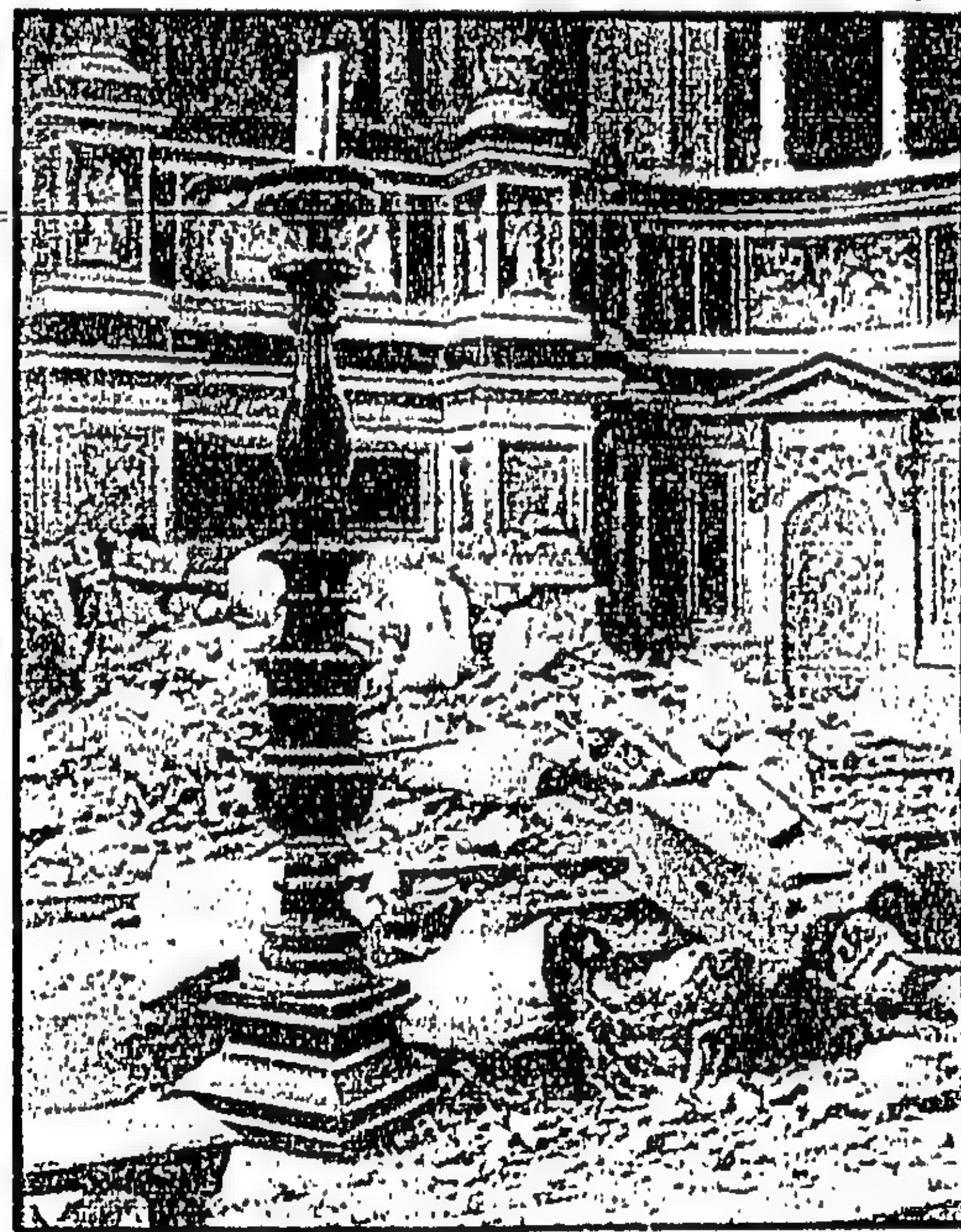
The finalists after the Trooping the Colour ceremony in commemoration of the Loyal's 200th anniversary.

The ginger-hued upper lip adornment of Private C. Crutcher, of headquarters Company, brought him the second prize of \$3, while the third prize of \$1 went to Bandsman J. O'Connell, also of Headquarters Co.



## BOMB ON ST. PAUL'S—

—damaged the High Altar during a recent raid. The bomb pierced the roof (above). Below: Broken masonry on the Altar Steps.



## Home Guard Hit Airman, Fined £25

A 65-YEAR-OLD Home Guard who was said to have fractured an airman's skull with the butt of a rifle was fined £25 at Devon Quarter Sessions recently.

Edwards Lacy Scully, of Torquay—a staff major in the last war—was accused of inflicting grievous bodily harm by using more force than necessary.

In October he saw Flying-Officer Jack C. G. Sarll and a young woman friend inside a prohibited area. Scully challenged them in an offensive way, it was alleged, then fetched a rifle and struck the Air Force officer twice.

Scully said that in the last war he served on Headquarters Staff in France and Italy.

### "Shut Up"

He warned Sarll and the woman to keep away from the prohibited area, but they started to climb a fence.

Challenged a second time, Sarll said, "Shut up."

He fetched his unloaded rifle and jabbed Sarll with the butt. Scully was found guilty, but the jury recommended leniency because of his age and loyal service.

Announcing the fine, the chairman said he bore in mind that Scully served with distinction in the last war.



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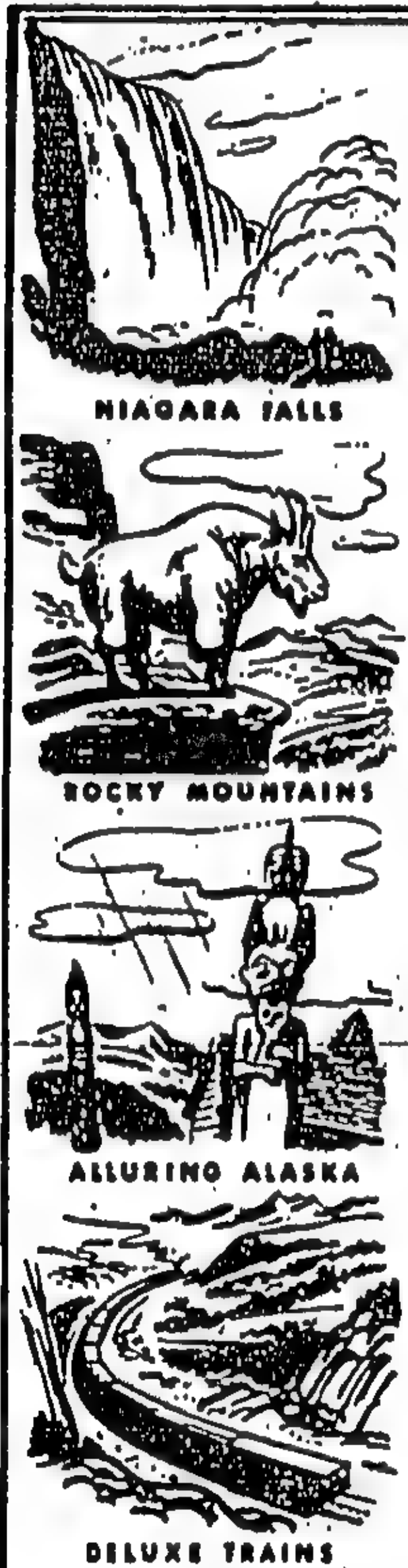
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## Portion of Peiping Language School Being Moved to Baguio

Plans to remove a portion of the Peiping College Chinese language studies institution to Baguio, the summer capital of the Philippines, were disclosed recently. The institution has been maintained in Peiping for many years by various American missions in China for teaching newly arrived missionaries the Chinese language.

While removal plans are not yet complete it is understood that the institution is planning to send a staff of five Chinese teachers to the Philippine mountain resort where youthful American missionaries destined for China and coming to the Orient in the future would be sent for language study prior to assuming their duties in China.

The removal plan is the result of the war in China and Japanese control of North China. It is said that local administrators of the school

consider it undesirable to teach newly-arrived missionaries the language of China under such conditions.

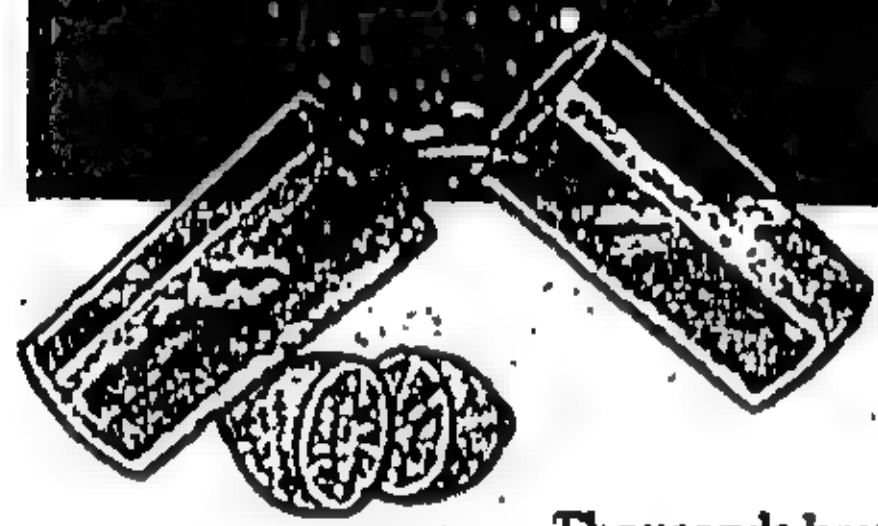
The Rev. John Hayes, an official of the school, is now in Manila investigating possibilities of successfully operating the school in Baguio. The school officials are awaiting his report prior to undertaking the establishment of a Baguio branch.

It was unofficially disclosed that Philippine immigration authorities are proving a stumbling block in the desired movement of the school to Baguio. The Manila authorities are alleged to have refused permission for the Chinese teachers to enter the islands.



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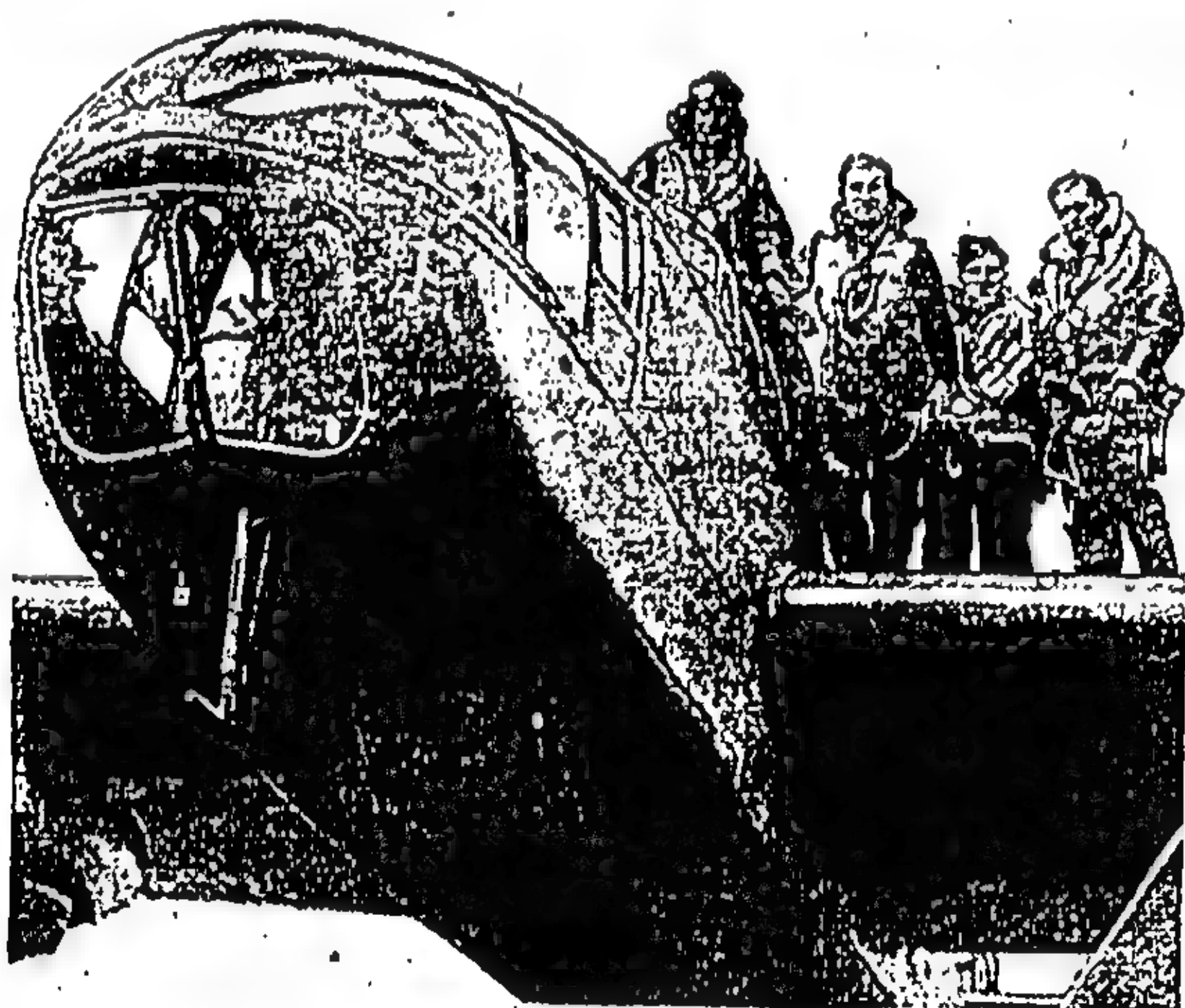
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## WEYGAND FIRST URGED PEACE

Vichy Pamphlet  
Disclosures

The bitter tone of recrimination against Britain which characterised so many earlier French utterances and writings is absent from a Vichy Government-approved pamphlet telling the inside story of events leading up to the French collapse.

M. Charles Ribbel, a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Senate, is the author.

M. Ribbel reveals that it was Gen. Weygand, successor to Gen. Gamelin as Commander of the French forces, who, as early as June 7, first urged the Government to ask for an armistice. Weygand hoped to save Paris, avoid the evacuation of the Government, and forestall a declaration of war by Italy. On June 12 Weygand again urged an armistice to prevent the complete destruction of the French army.

Divisions were reduced to two or three battalions and men were dropping from fatigue and lack of sleep. The Cabinet, however, "remained unshakable."

The next day, after the Supreme Council had met and learned that Mr. Churchill was unable to promise more than three divisions and 72 guns, M. Reynaud's Cabinet still refused to accede to Gen. Weygand's demand.

### Flight To Africa Plan

M. Ribbel says that the Cabinet had two plans. It intended either to flee to Brittany and be ready to leave for the United States, if necessary, or go first to Bordeaux and then to Africa.

The pamphlet says that France rejected the British plan not to surrender her fleet because, on that condition, Germany would never have granted an armistice.

Gen. Gamelin's incompetence is branded as chiefly responsible for defeat. President Lebrun is stated to have said to M. Ribbel after the Government's flight to Tientsin: "Would you believe it? Gamelin came to see me only a few days before we left Paris, praised his own strategy, and said that he would have done exactly the same if he were beginning the campaign over again."

## BRITAIN MAKING MORE SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS

A triumph over their German rivals is announced by Britain's scientific instrument makers.

Before the war Canada invited the world to compete for a surveying aneroid required by the Dominion's Geographical Survey Department. They asked for an accuracy of 0.02 inches of mercury. The Germans said it was impossible. They flatly refused to try.

British decided to tackle the job. Two years' special research have been put in on it, and now the makers are able to disclose the fact that they have done ten times better than they were asked to do. They have achieved not the 0.02 inches of accuracy but 0.002, or one-tenth of the error allowed by the specification. "We lost heavily on it," said a member of the firm, "but the research we did has been of immense value."

### New Customers

To-day Britain's supremacy in making scientific instruments is shown by the world demand for them. Among her wartime customers are Argentina, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

The latest figures are eloquent of Britain's new supremacy. Before the war she was exporting about one-third the quantity of scientific instruments sold by her German rivals. During the first nine months of 1940, she sent overseas more than £900,000 worth, an actual increase of almost £100,000 over the first nine months of 1939.

## President's Wife Fights Colour Bar

In February, 1939, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt led a nationwide protest against the Daughters of the American Revolution when the DAR refused to allow Marian Anderson, great Negro contralto, to give a concert in Constitution Hall at Washington, which the DAR owns.

A few weeks ago, Mrs. Roosevelt, who resigned from the DAR after the Anderson episode, heard the Golden Gate Quartet, four Negroes whose heavenly harmonising has made them night club, radio and phonograph record stars.

Later, it was announced that the Golden Gate Quartet would sing at the Inaugural Gala, in Constitutional Hall, still in Washington and still owned by the DAR. The Gala was one of the most important social gatherings of the inauguration celebration.

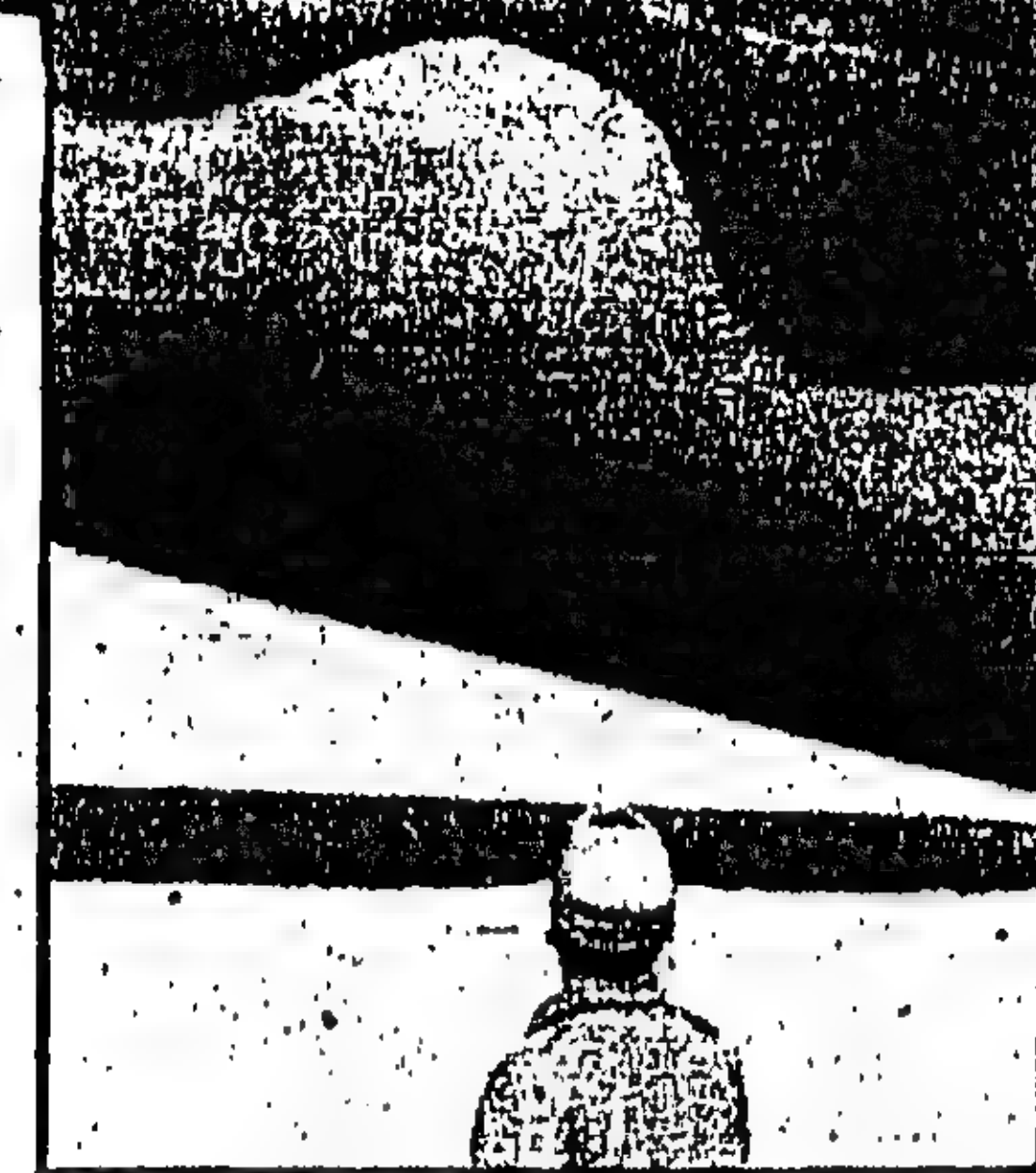


## Scrap For 300 Destroyers

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Local government officials of more than 3,000 bodies are carrying out the survey. An index is being prepared of old buildings, mines, bridges, machinery, railway tracks and other property, where the scrap metal can be obtained.

Railway tracks laid by German prisoners in the last war have been listed, and the survey includes waste material from buildings which have been damaged in air raids.



THE PILOT of an R.A.F. machine talking with a Greek soldier after landing at an airport in Greece.

## New Plan Location Finder

Commercial aviation has advanced another step forward with the announcement United Air Lines, oldest transportation in the U. S. States, has perfected an plane location finder after than four years of research development work.

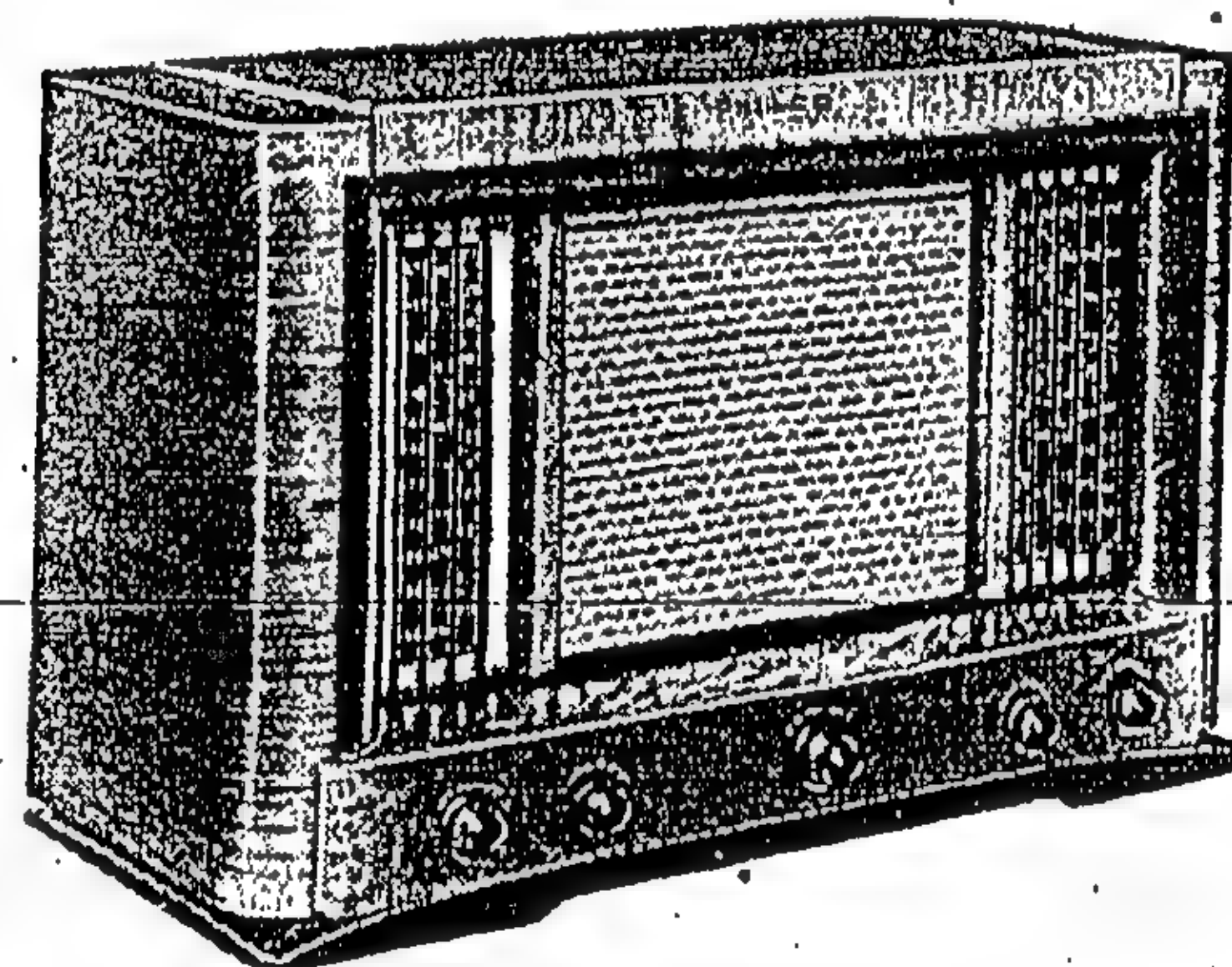
Through use of this device ground stations can now determine by radio the exact position of a plane in flight regardless of weather conditions and regardless of whether the plane is flying over a chartered course.

Main feature of the new device is a large metallic frame antenna erected on top of a building and connected by an electric cable to an airplane. Each time an airplane transmits by short radio, the signal is received by the frame antenna.

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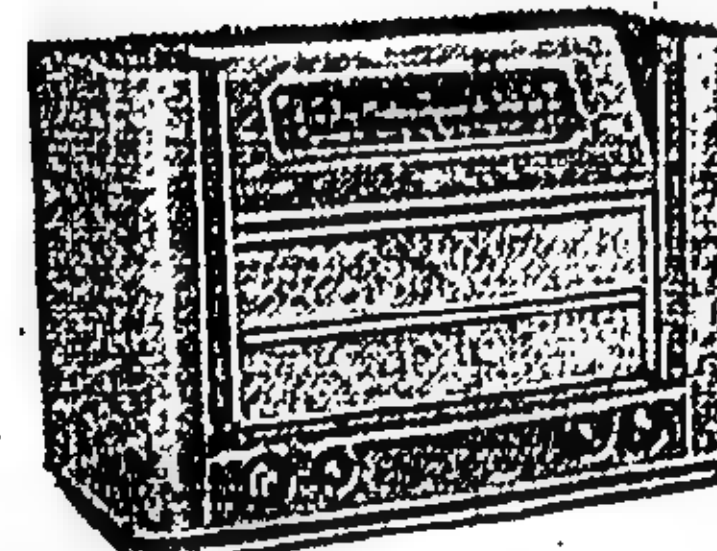
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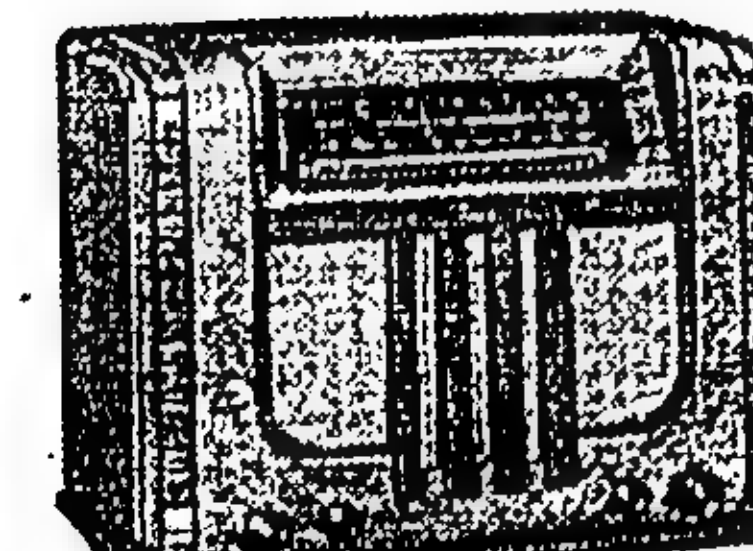
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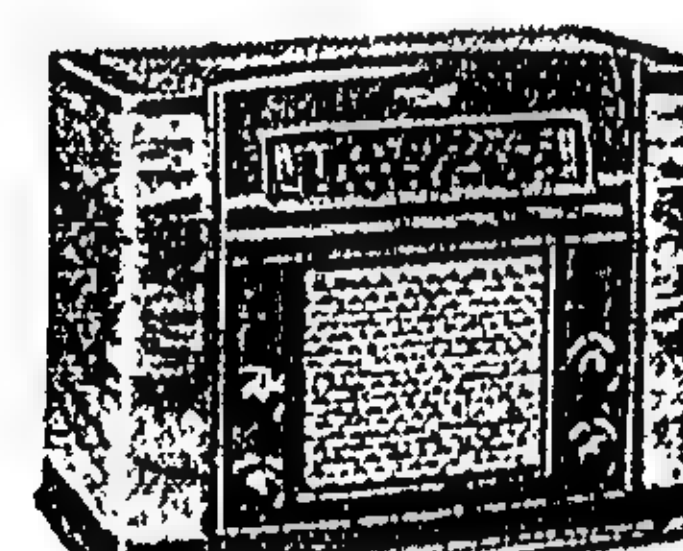
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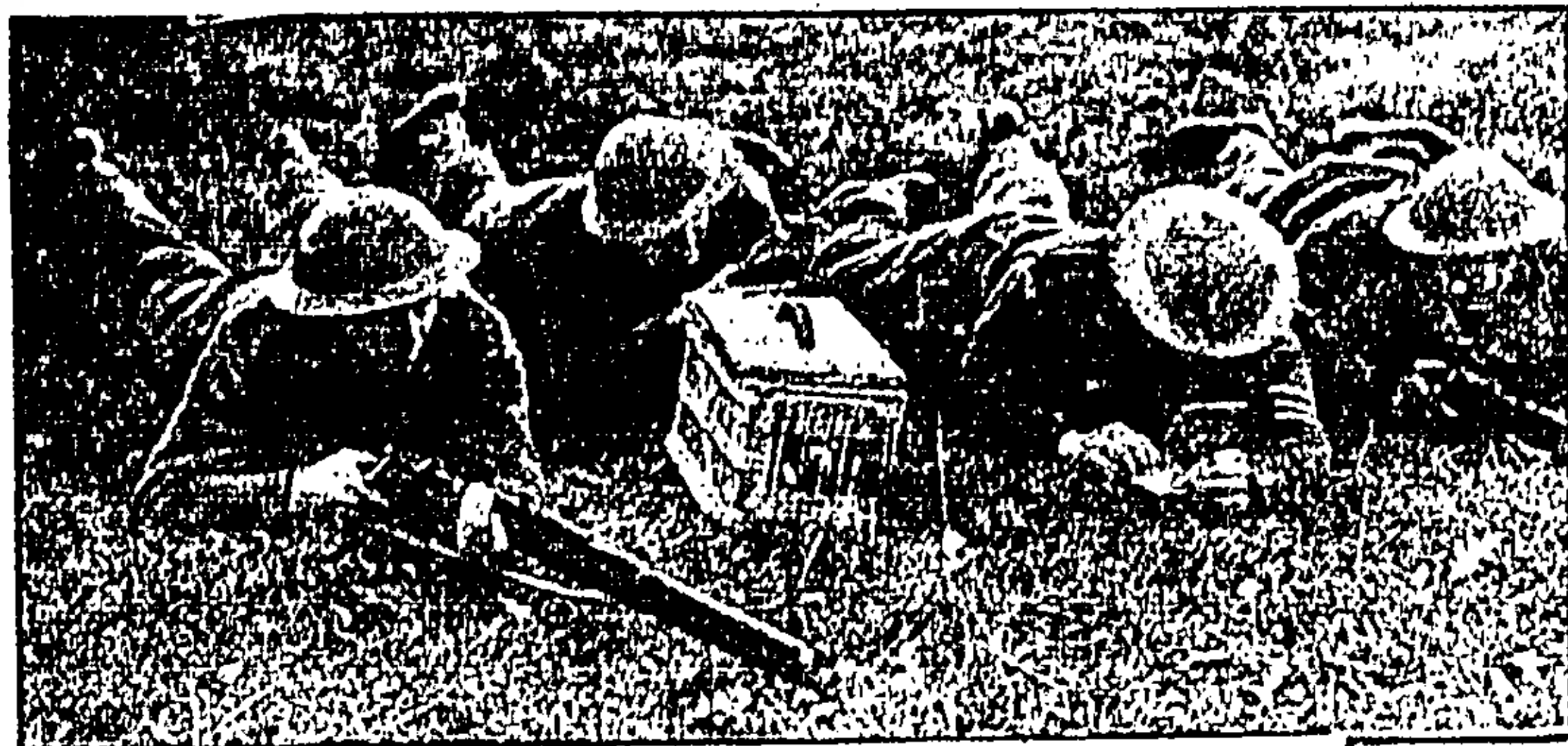
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## Wounded, War Pigeon Got Through

BY A FLEET STREET REPORTER

BERT, aged 3, a perky little pigeon, has lost a leg in the service of his King and country, but his heroism has gained the respect of hardened soldiers.

Conscripted by his owner, a York fencer, from his cosy civilian life, Bert lost his only leg in the service of his King and country, but his heroism has gained the respect of hardened soldiers.

On the lines that the "mills must go through," Bert set about his new job from his Army life hidden away in a secret part of the countryside.

A dozen times—vital messages carried in the clasp of his leg—Bert flew over a course most difficult even for a racing pigeon.

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On the twelfth trip a pellet from a sporting gun shot off one of his legs. Torn and bleeding, Bert arrived home at his loft on time, his message safe and intact.

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## U.S. Helium Production

PRODUCTION of helium from natural gas at the world's only operating plant, run by the U.S. Bureau of Mines at Amarillo, Texas, has reached an 11-year total of 100,000,000 cubic feet.

Production from other Government plants, not operating, at present makes the all-time total nearly 150,000,000 cubic feet. For 27 years known to exist as an element on the earth, but only as a chemical curiosity so rare it was valued at £78 a cubic foot.

War Graves Will Be Restored  
Damage In France

Major-Gen. Sir Fabian Ware, permanent vice-chairman, Imperial War Graves Commission, stated in a broadcast recently that the Commission possessed accurate surveys of war cemeteries in France and Flanders which had been partially obliterated in the present war.

## Norway Controls Vast Network of Ships

The Norwegian Government-in-exile is directing the affairs of what amounts to a nation on the high seas from terminals in New York and London. It is a vast network of ships and men knit together by radio, newspapers and the bonds of a common battle for freedom.

The backbone of this high-seas regime is the fourth largest merchant marine in the world, in which 25,000 sailors and 900 vessels are operating despite German raids.

Together they constitute a fleet controlled by the Norwegian Shipping and Trade Mission, which was established by the Royal Norwegian Government to manage Norway's most valuable asset.

Source of revenue for the high-seas government is Norway's merchant marine, welded together by wireless messages crackling from offices in London, New York, Montreal, Halifax and San Francisco. German forces in occupying Norway were able to seize only 500,000 tons of shipping, for 4,000,000 tons of this modern merchant marine were out of reach.

Tankers And Whalers  
Norway has since then lost 90 vessels through enemy action, but the remainder, including the world's largest independent tanker fleet of from 220 to 240 vessels and an Antarctic whaling fleet, flies the Norwegian flag in every ocean, about one-half of all the vessels plying to British ports.

Operating With British  
The Norwegian Navy, which in the brief engagements of the invasion was reported to have sunk more tonnage than it possessed, has since been operating with the British. It assisted in the evacuation of Dunkirk and is now sending its mosquito boats, newly delivered by Britain, into the Channel patrol service. A patrol of re-equipped whaling vessels is now on duty in the West Indies.

## Non-Military Steel Orders for U.S.

Orders for non-military steel for use in the British Empire have been placed in the United States, reports Associated Press.

They include a substantial contract for rails for India, Australia and Hongkong.

It was believed in steel circles that as soon as details plans could be worked out, considerable additional business for steel destined for other than military use would be booked by United States companies.

The British Iron & Steel Corp., has handled the negotiations rather than the British Purchasing Commission, it was said, the latter continuing its activities in the steel market entirely to metal for military use.



## Flying Boat Bases In East Indies

Improved flying-boat facilities in Netherlands Indies are being sought for the Empire service by the Australian Civil Aviation Department, but the Dutch authorities are concentrating on land planes and are developing landing fields.

The Australian Civil Aviation Department's Controller of Ground Organisation, Mr. A. R. McComb, has returned to Australia after talks with the Netherlands Indies authorities in Java.

The Empire service requires, among other things, better surface craft for the loading and unloading of passengers and freight, and for refuelling purposes.

The Dutch authorities, however, are in a quandary. While the Empire service is "using" flying-boats, they have put their faith in the future development of land planes, which, they say, will always be faster and will be used to a very great extent.

Bigger Aerodromes  
The Netherlands Indies authorities have embarked on a scheme for enlarging aerodromes to a size capable of accommodating four-engined land planes such as Douglas D.C. 4's, Lockheed Excubitors, and a new Curtiss type, and are spending large sums of money.

The K.N.I.L.M. (Royal Netherlands Indies Airways) and K.L.M. (Royal Dutch Air Lines) will probably take delivery of their first four-engined land planes in a year. These machines require runways of about 1,500 yards.

The Dutch, naturally, do not want to spend large sums on flying-boat bases when their own services will use aerodromes.

When the Dutch take delivery of their new four-engined commercial airliners they will fly to Sydney in two stages. The machines will probably be flown across the Pacific from America to Java.

## Join Nazis Plea Angers Switzerland

A STORM of indignation has blown up in Switzerland, following publication of an article by the Swiss author, Jakob Schaffner, in the German weekly "Das Reich."

In it the author recommends the abandonment by Switzerland of her neutrality and her attachment to the German Reich.

Schaffner lives in Germany, while retaining his Swiss nationality. M. Feldmann, a member of the National Council, writing in the "Neue Berner Zeitung," condemns Schaffner's "arrogance" in openly discussing in a foreign publication questions of Swiss policy.

The Swiss "National Zeitung" says it has never known so incomprehensible an interpretation of Swiss neutrality as that Schaffner outlines.

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## WAR FUND

Raffle Draw At Peninsula Hotel

It is announced that the public drawing for the prizes in the Hongkong War Effort Committee in aid of the Bomber Fund will take place at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, April 11.

The draw will be conducted by His Honour Sir A. D. A. MacGregor, Kt., in conjunction with Messrs Linstead & Davis and The Hongkong Jockey Club.

As it will take many hours to complete the drawing owing to the hundreds of prizes, it has been tentatively arranged to commence at 2 p.m. and to carry on until the evening. It is expected that the last number will be recorded between 9 and 10 p.m.

Tickets will be withdrawn from sale at all centres at noon on Thursday, April 10.

## Blank Day Saved

A solitary donation of fifty cents from an anonymous donor saved yesterday from being a blank day for the Bomber Fund.

This brings the total collected by the War Fund, inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., to \$1,005,857.70.







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## U.S. To Build Great Fleet

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The House Appropriations Committee today approved the provision of \$3,415,000,000 in cash for Navy during the next fiscal year. Half of this money will be used to continue work on 729 warcraft and \$31,000,000 is earmarked for contractual undertakings.

The cash includes \$1,515,000,000 to complete two cruisers, 14 destroyers, eight submarines and four auxiliaries during the coming year. The ships under construction at present include 17 battleships, 12 aircraft-carriers, 54 cruisers, 216 destroyers, 84 submarines and many auxiliary ships.

During the meeting of the House Appropriations Committee, the Secretary of the Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, testified that by the autumn American "should be getting ready to produce as much munitions and aircraft as the British."

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## Nazi Socialists Caught By The Gestapo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—A report reaching German Socialists in London states that Rudolf Breitsch and Rudolf Heiderling have arrived in Berlin as prisoners of the Gestapo.

Both are reported to have been arrested at Berlin near Marziesse a month ago, and were surrendered by the French under German extradition claims in accordance with the armistice stipulations.

Heiderling, 61, was twice German Minister of Finance, while Breitsch, 66, headed the Social Democratic group in the Reichstag. Both possessed United States visas but the French refused them exit permits.

## DESTROYER SINKS SUB Convoy Incident In Aegean Sea

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ATHENS, Mar. 13 (UP).—A convoy, presumably British, is believed to be in the Aegean Sea.

A Greek communiqué reported that the Greek destroyer Psara sank an Italian submarine as it was attempting to attack a convoy.

It is recalled that private advice to the "United Press" in New York yesterday said that a British force had arrived in Greece from Egypt, while the British reported that an Italian submarine was sunk in attempting to attack a convoy in the Aegean Sea on March 6.

## Mr Currie Denies His Report Is Pessimistic

Special to the "Telegraph"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—When contacted by the United Press today regarding the Japanese charges that his report would be most pessimistic, Mr. Lauchlin Currie said he could not comment further, but that he would stand on the statement he made upon his departure from China.

This statement which was quoted by the Chinese today, said: "I leave with my faith in the greatness of China's destiny confirmed."

Mr. Currie asserted that he had already conferred once with the President, but had not yet completed his report, and he would see the President again shortly.

Asked what would be the nature of his report, Mr. Currie replied that he

## BRITISH BOMBERS BLITZ BERLIN, BREMEN AND HAMBURG IN NIGHT RAID

LONDON, MAR. 13 (REUTER).—A FORMIDABLE STRIKING FORCE OF BRITISH BOMBER COMMAND AIRCRAFT SWEEP OVER GERMANY LAST NIGHT TO ATTACK HAMBURG, BREMEN AND BERLIN FROM SOON AFTER NIGHTFALL UNTIL AN HOUR OR SO BEFORE DAWN.

TOGETHER THE THREE ATTACKS MADE FORM THE HEAVIEST BLOW BRITISH BOMBERS HAVE YET STRUCK AT GERMANY.

Over each target, there was a concentrated barrage and to reach the objectives in Berlin, the British bombers had to penetrate a continuous curtain of fire.

The attack on Berlin lasted several hours and the British crews were able to pick out the streets, railways and lakes around the city almost as if they had been flying in daylight.

Fragments of shells hit the wings and under-carriage of one British plane but nothing prevented the pilot and bomb-aimer from completing their task. They saw their bombs burst on a target in the centre of Berlin.

## Official Story Of The Raids

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—An Air Ministry communiqué states: "Attacks on the enemy last night extended from Berlin to Boulogne and were carried out by the light of the moon. They were very successful."

"In addition to the older types of aircraft of the bomber command, several new and more powerful types were again in action, carrying very heavy bombs."

"The first attacks were made on Berlin and were highly effective especially in the neighbourhood of railway yards. At Bremen, many explosions were observed after direct hits were scored on the target which was an important industrial area. Numerous fires were caused in other parts of the same area."

"Hamburg Hard Hit  
"Naval shipyards and the industrial district of Hamburg received special attention and there were many fires and explosions. One enemy aircraft was destroyed while attempting to intercept."

"The Schiphol aerodrome was bombed by a single aircraft which hit objectives in northwest Germany and the low country. At Boulogne, large fires were started on the docks. "Aircraft of the Coastal Command were active yesterday. Off Jutland the stern of an enemy destroyer was hit by a torpedo. Large supply ships anchored in Jutland harbour and other vessels in Ostend were also attacked. An aerodrome in Norway was bombed and a large building hit. Five of our aircraft are missing."

Many pilots reported immense fires in various parts of the city and the glow in the sky could be seen from 100 miles on the way home.

One pilot swooped down through the barrage and machine-gunned his objective from just above the roof tops and then flew on to attack the barracks outside the city from the same low level.

Bremen Plant  
An important plant for the manufacture of war material was the chief objective at Bremen where the result of a concentrated attack was among the most spectacular ever reported by British pilots.

Bursts were seen over the whole area of the works. Many buildings received direct hits and were seen to catch fire.

Elsewhere in Bremen, says the Air Ministry, the first signs of trouble were long lines of burning incendiaries across industrial objectives and then the buildings themselves were seen to catch fire.

The defences at Bremen were almost as vigorous as those in Berlin and a number of German fighters attempted to intercept the British bombers, there being several inconclusive engagements.

Hamburg Woken Up  
Hamburg too had a sleepless night and just after 10 p.m. the first raiders were dropping their bombs among the docks and shipping yards. Fires flared high and some of the pilots reported seeing them clearly 70 and 80 miles away.

As well as this great concentration of aircraft over Germany, the Bomber Command also despatched a number of heavy bombers to Boulogne where many hits were scored on the docks.

German Admissions  
BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Three were killed and three slightly wounded in the night raid on Berlin.

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## LATEST

## Sharp Increase In Cholera

There has been a startling increase in the number of Cholera cases in Hongkong.

To-day's official health report reveals that 18 new cases were reported on Wednesday, bringing the year's total to 63.

Sixteen victims were from the Island and two from Kowloon.

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## R.A.F. FIGHT BACK 200 RAIDERS

Attack on Liverpool Fails

Special to the "Telegraph"  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—It is officially estimated that 200 German raiders attacked Liverpool last night, but opposition by waves of R.A.F. fighters kept the damage at a minimum. At daybreak, people were still being rescued from the wreckage and others are still trapped. In one area, two policemen, three fire watchers and three wardens are missing.

## Air Raids On Britain This Morning

Nazis Unsuccessful

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Mar. 14 (UP).—German raiders were still attacking several points on the countryside at an early hour this morning, although the London area is generally quiet.

Relays of raiders were over Merseyside for many hours following up Wednesday's heavy attack, but few bombs were dropped. After several hours, only one high explosive had fallen on Liverpool and a few incendiary bombs were quickly extinguished.

The raiders dropped flares at several points but few very high—well out of range of the ground defences.

At Merseyside, the raiders were apparently concentrating on two towns, one of which was bombed Wednesday night when working class homes were destroyed. Two high explosives hit the residential district but there were no serious casualties and the damage was slight.

## \$7 Billion For Britain Is Adequate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, Mr. Henry Stimson, Secretary of War, and Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, told a secret session of the House Deficiency Appropriations Committee that the seven billion dollar request for British aid appeared to be adequate to meet present war conditions.

Representative Clifton Woodrum disclosed the general nature of the testimony and concurrently Mr. Woodrum obtained the unanimous consent of the House to bring the seven billion dollar bill to the floor of the House for consideration next Tuesday. When asked by reporters whether the seven billion dollars represented the total programme for the two year period of the Lend and Lease Bill, Mr. Woodrum said, "Nobody can say."

## Mr Forrest Improves

The condition of Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, Immigration Officer, whose indisposition caused a postponement of the public inquiry into the affairs of the Department, is improving.

Mr. Forrest, who is a patient at the Queen Mary Hospital, had a good night's rest and is making good progress.

## Shanghai Shooting

SHANGHAI, Mar. 14 (UP).—A Chinese gunman shot and wounded Mr. Sheng Hsi-Ching, Director of the Tax Bureau of the Nanjing-controlled Greater Shanghai Municipal Government in the International Settlement.

## U.S. Press Takes Up Challenge

"Great Retreat" Ended  
NEW YORK, Mar. 13 (REUTER).—The "New York Times" on March 12 said: "March 11, 1941, ought to be remembered in our history as the day when the United States ended the great retreat."

"Our effort to find security in isolation has failed. By the final passage of the Lend and Lease Bill, we confess its failure. We turn now to a new chapter. We assume the responsibility which falls naturally to a great World Power. We proclaim our decision that in collective security and only in collective security can the democratic nations survive."

"We shall protect the security of our people wherever it is threatened, and we hold it to be threatened by Hitler's subjugation of democracy in Europe and his attack on Britain."

"English workers are waging an epic battle of courage and determination. They have kept their factories running in spite of the storm of bombs and incendiary bombs. By their efforts they have made it possible for their brave fighting forces to carry on. America must give them help and encouragement because they are fighting America's battle as well as their own."

## Every Inch A Man and A Soldier

Tall, bronzed and smiling, every inch a free man and a great soldier, this youthful member of the Australian Imperial Forces in Palestine typifies the men who have swept Mussolini's troops out of Egypt, Cirenaica and Libya.



## ITALIANS MEET WITH DISASTER

Special to the "Telegraph"

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (UP).—According to the Government spokesman, the Italian offensive after five days is apparently dying out—but is still very intensive on a 16-mile front in the central sector where Mussolini, as Italian prisoners reported, is anxiously waiting in General Headquarters. The offensive ended disastrously for the Italians.

The spokesman asserted that in the central sector, an Italian attack was launched after heavy Italian artillery action and was followed at dawn by a charge of important forces which was driven back with terrific losses, the Italians abandoning much war material, field telephones and leaving the ground strewn with their dead.

## May Relax Blockade

Britain's Dilemma

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—Authoritative quarters revealed today that members of the State Department and British officials are discussing the possibilities of relaxing the British blockade to allow food to reach unoccupied France.

Some believe that the decision will be one of the most important phases of Anglo-American co-operation in view of Admiral Darlan's threat that continued British refusal might force the Vichy Government into closer collaboration with Berlin. They asserted that Britain herself will probably receive substantial food-stuffs from the United States.

A seaman named C. Johnson, 24, of a British ship, has been missing since 6.30 p.m. on March 12.

Rome Communiqué  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ROME, Mar. 13 (UP).—The 270th war communiqué says, "On the Greek front the enemy renewed their attacks on both sides of the Volusha Valley and were repulsed with grave losses. Our aviation bombed an important enemy naval base."

"Italian and German planes in a night action attacked the port works at La Valetta, Malta."

"In North Africa, our planes bombed naval air bases in Cyrenaica. Detachments of the German air corps bombed and machine-gunned British mechanised units in an encampment. In East Africa, the enemy raided some of our centres in Eritrea without damage."

## Yugo-Slavia Key-Point In Turkey's Policy

Special to the "Telegraph"

ISTANBUL, Mar. 13 (UP).—M. Shukru Esmer, political editor of the semi-official newspaper "Ulus," declared over the radio that Premier Saydam's expected speech to the National Assembly has been postponed indefinitely, "because of the instability of the Balkan situation."

He described the situation in Yugo-Slavia as being particularly unstable and declared that Turkey was watching Yugo-Slavia closely.

He asserted: "If that country realises German aggression which will probably come from Bulgaria, Turkey will fulfil her obligations in aiding Greece and Yugo-Slavia effectively. If to the contrary, Yugo-Slavia adheres to the tri-Power pact, Turkey will consider herself freed from her obligation to her."

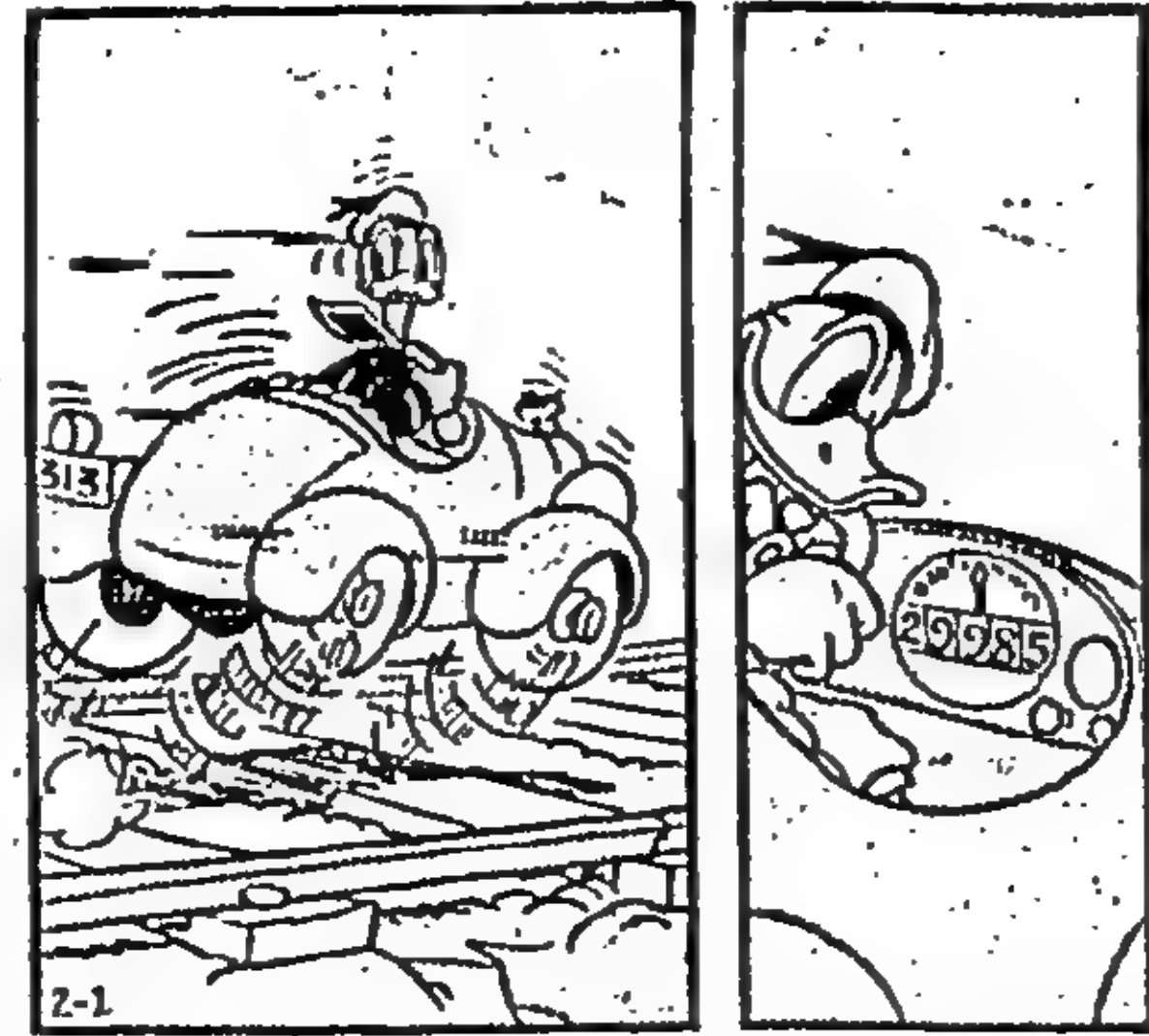
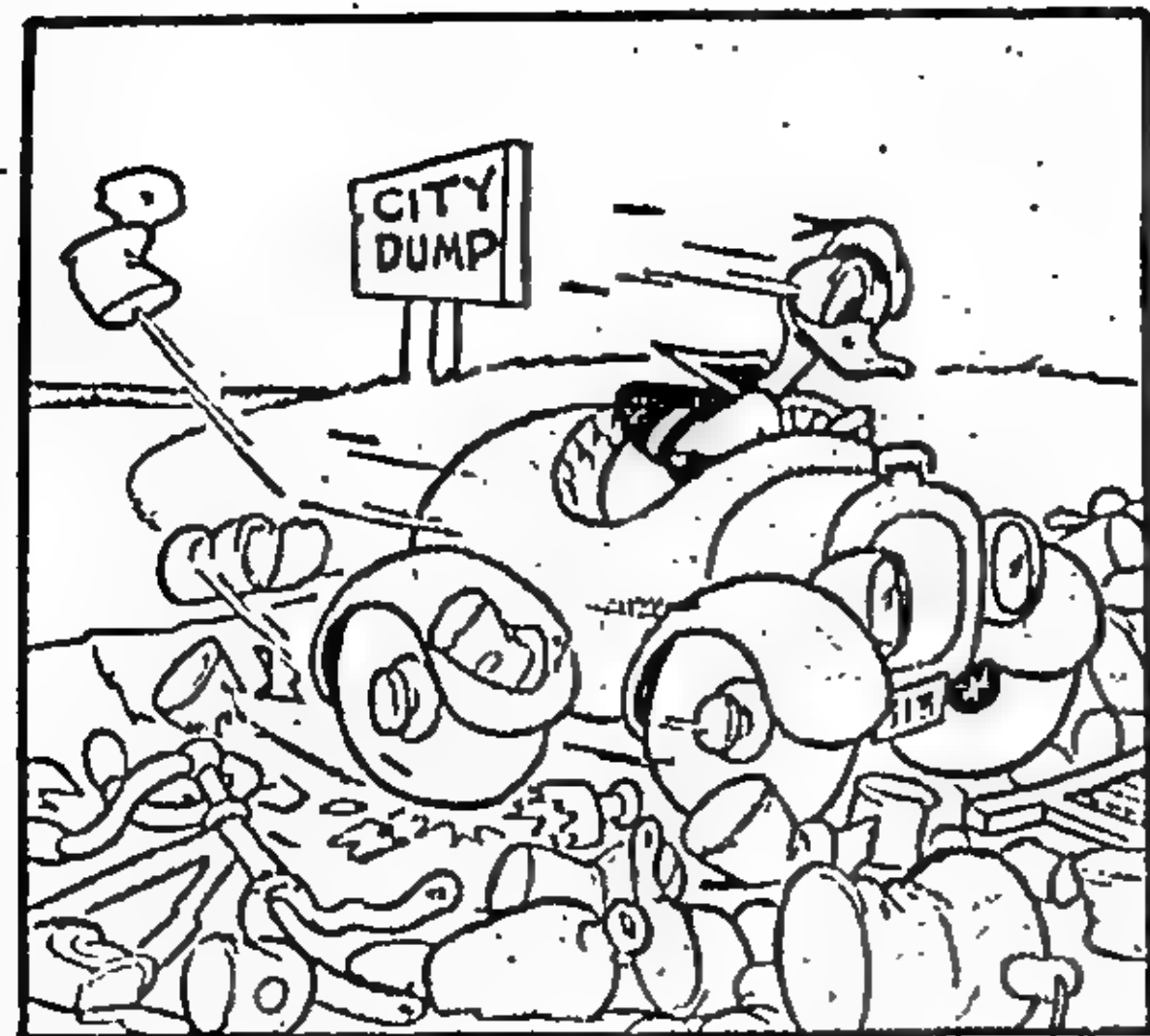
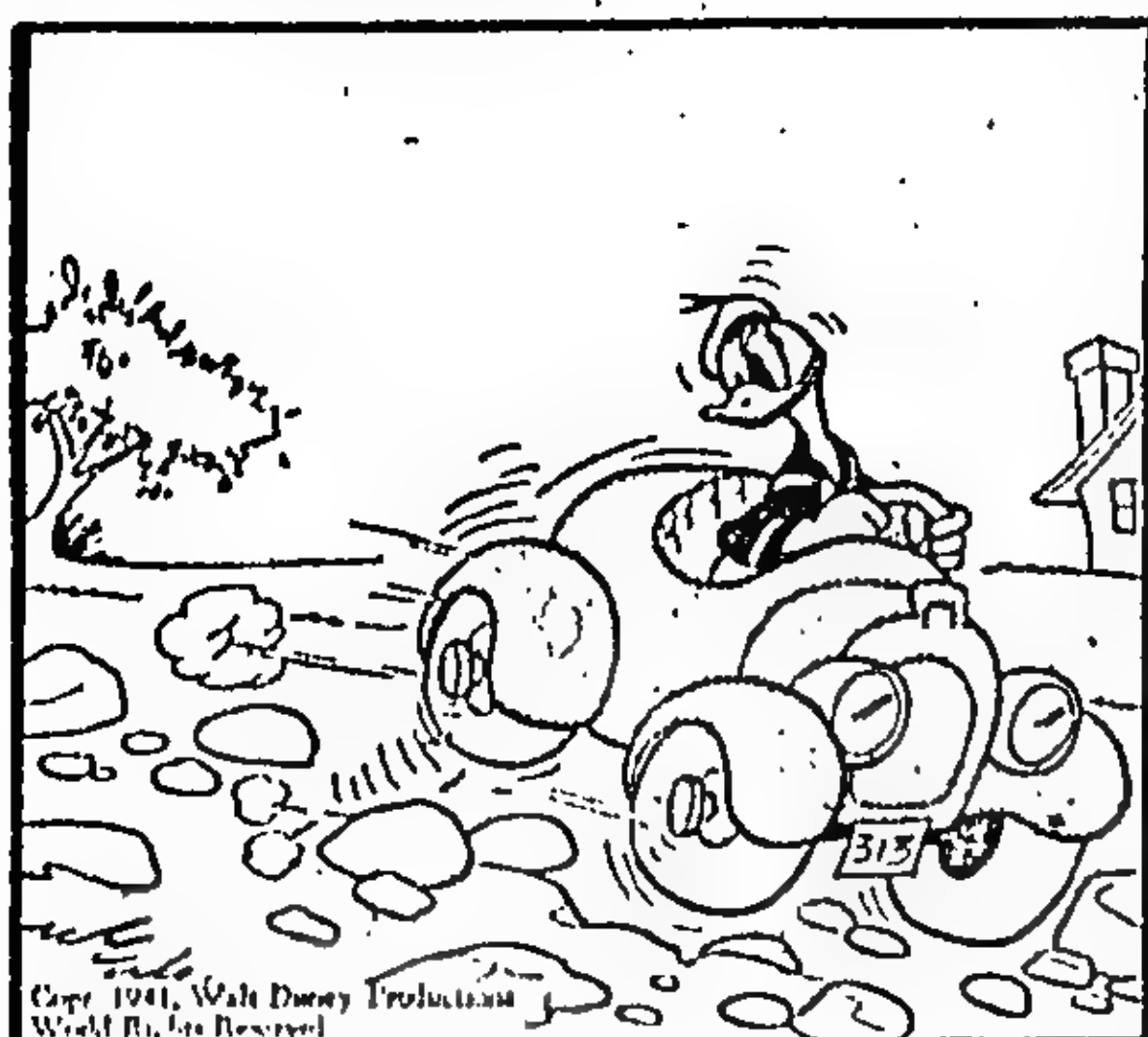
He declared that Turkey will resist aggression at any time against her territory and independence, and he was of the opinion, and hoped, that such aggression was improbable because Germany could not hope to gain control over the Mediterranean without a war against Turkey which would not have any decisive effect on the outcome of the war as a whole.







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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

**ACROSS**

- Mindful
- Old-fashioned
- Married woman
- Plural noun
- Referring to
- Friendship
- State of
- Green color
- Climbing plant
- Food-fish
- Income tax
- Artificial language
- Inner personality
- Those who have
- Divide proportion
- Act in frenzied manner
- Polish
- Cut down
- Literary collection
- Long life
- Unit
- Network
- Part of flower
- Billboard
- List of Mercury
- Decided
- Through
- Admit to bail
- Two-dimensional measure
- Strong fortress
- Two-dimensional measure
- Thin bit of matter
- Conditioning device for wheel

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE**

**DOWN**

- Practice thrift
- The same (Latin)
- Part of speech
- With both legs over
- Rescuers
- Man's name
- Storage place for grain
- Members of western tribe
- Enigma
- Warp
- Painful feeling
- Least
- Small whirlpool
- Bit of verse
- In the past
- Hero
- Indian queen
- Nautical expression
- Taken part
- Fire
- Of arm family
- Blade
- Make changes in
- Steward
- Unfortunate
- Range of view
- Things killed at law
- Many islands, noted for tobacco
- Observe
- Permit
- Section of track
- Light yellowish brown
- Pendant
- System of ascetic philosophy
- Mixed
- Graduated circular face
- Kind of prey
- Limbs
- Number of fingers

## Manchester Uncowed By The Blitz

In spite of a "real bashing" sustained through heavy German air raids on the city, Manchester is uncowed and defiant. A letter received by a leading British trading house in Hongkong from a Manchester firm states that, although the raids have altered the face and contour of the old city, the only alteration to its spirit is to make it even more determined, than ever to make an end of Hitler and all that he stands for.

The following excerpts from the letter, which we are privileged to publish, may prove to be of some interest to local commercial circles who have relations with Manchester firms and to the public generally. They show the remarkable spirit of the British people in a time of difficulty and danger, and also reveal how trade, the life-blood of the nation, is being carried on.

### Keep Flag Flying

"Speaking from a purely commercial angle," says the letter, "we are, under obviously difficult and awkward circumstances, doing our best to carry on and keep the flag flying, and we are not ashamed of our efforts in this direction—in fact—we are rather proud of ourselves, but we are not overlooking the fact that we have received tremendous help from overseas friends who, appreciating the position, have looked with a blind-eye at what under normal circumstances they would have acclaimed with horror as being gross misdemeanours on our part although, in the main, we are surprised ourselves that we have not had to take as many liberties as we visualised that might be necessary.

"Manchester as a whole, and we in particular, have always prided ourselves not only upon the standard of our goods but upon the promptness of our deliveries, and it is in regard to the latter that we have experienced most difficulty.

### Thanks To Navy

"Thanks to the Navy, we are getting good supplies of cotton and, whilst it is no secret that bits and pieces of these have been destroyed by enemy action, there has been no shortage. At the same time, however, a terrific strain has been placed on Lancashire machinery to fulfil those vast supplies of Home and Colonial Government requirements which must necessarily have priority even over export; and, whilst export comes a good second, manufacturers have in many cases found it difficult to keep up to time with some of our orders, but they have really made some noble efforts and, taking it all in all, they have, under exceptionally difficult circumstances, done extraordinarily well.

"From the overseas buyer's point of view, one of the chief bugbears has been the matter of delivery and length of time that it has taken for the goods

to arrive but with the tremendous strain placed upon shipping generally and on certain ports in particular, we are surprised that the authorities have been able to uphold such a service as exists to-day.

### Real Blitz

"During the last few months we have had several visitations from our nocturnal enemy, but it was not until the two nights of Sunday and Monday, December 22 and 23, that we had what is now known as a real 'Blitz,' and, even to those who had experience in the last war, this new kind of warfare has really to be seen in order to be believed, because it defies description by any other than an artist.

"That damage was done, and serious damage at that, cannot be denied; but, as usual, the brunt fell upon the civilian and commercial community, and it is indeed sad to see the wanton destruction of famous landmarks that have no bearing on the national war effort and which, under no stretch of the imagination, can be called military objectives.

"To those of you who know Manchester it really hurts to think of the Royal Exchange, Corn Exchange, Cathedral, Free Trade Hall (home of the Halle Concerts); to name but a few of the buildings, destroyed.

"Considering the intensity and the ferocity of the attack, the damage, had enough though it is, is greatly less than might have been expected; but, what really is important, the damage to the war effort is practically nil, and as long as this remains the case, we, of the civilian army, can and will take it.

"Naturally, the whole tenor of our lives is temporarily changed because, as we have mentioned, this war is so different from the last inasmuch as, except for the Middle East, it is the civilian and not the soldier who is in the front line.

### Marvellous Spirit

"To most of us home life is a thing of the past, because nearly every member of our staff is giving, according to their age and fitness, nearly all their spare time to voluntary national service.

"The one thing which we want to impress upon such good friends as yourselves far away in Hongkong is the fact that the spirit of this country is marvellous—in fact, as always, the best of this country has been and is only being seen when up against adversity.

"Apart from the trial of nocturnal bombing we live, as you know, under the threat of invasion, and we ask you to believe us when we say that, as far as invasion is concerned, the unanimous feeling is 'let the . . . try it, and the sooner the better, and we will show him!'

## New Zealand Farms Meet War Programme

Substantial success of the New Zealand Government's war-time farm production programme was described recently by the new Agricultural Minister, James G. Barclay. He said the main feature of the programme was increase in animal products, which involved raising larger crops.

He asserted that there had been only one notable failure in this crop schedule. The North Island had been asked to raise 20,000 acres of barley, yet only 5,000 acres were sown.

Crops harvested will be ample to feed the larger flocks which the Dominion now possessed, he added. Lambing last Spring was the highest since 1930, and there were 750,000 more lambs on the farms than last year.

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## Luftwaffe Trying To Fly Higher

By F. G. H. Salusbury

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The Germans are now devoting particular attention to fast, extremely high-flying bombers.

If they can produce a machine which can, more or less, meet our fighters on level terms, the year will probably see a revival—or an attempted revival—of day bombing in force.

### Chief Attack

It was during the Battle of Britain in the autumn that our fighters drove the German day bomber out of the sky, and compelled Goering to adopt night bombing as his chief attack.

The Germans have always preferred day bombing, if only for the reason that aircraft whose function is to clear the way for invasion must see what they are doing.

The extreme height aimed at is not ideal for observation or accurate bombing, but it would largely obviate the danger of defending fighters descending on the bombers' backs.

### New Tactics

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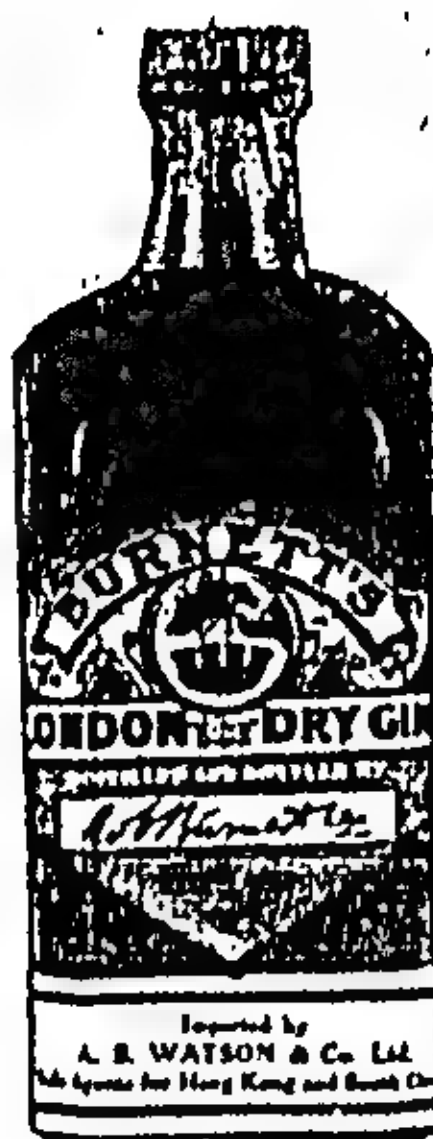


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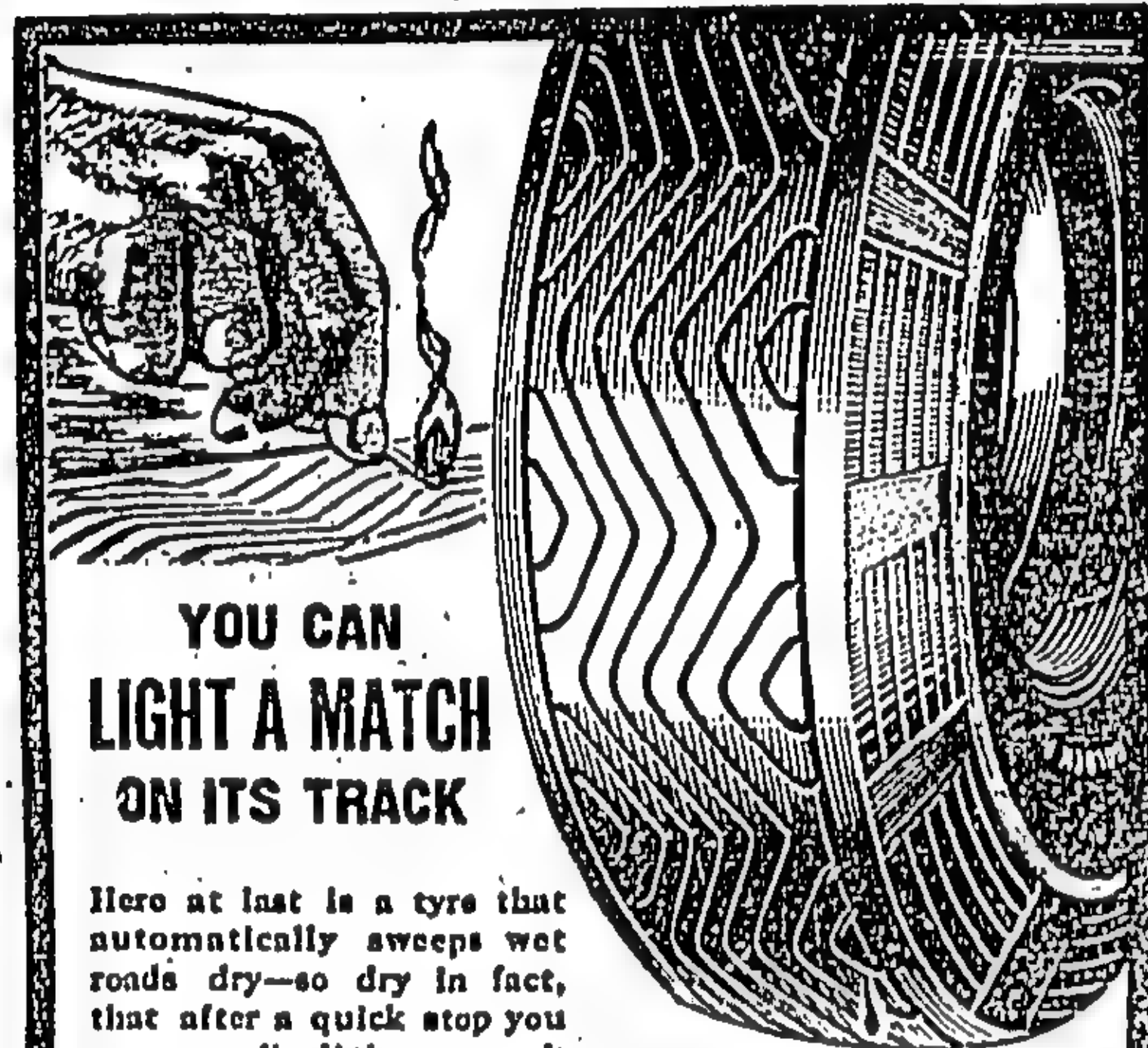
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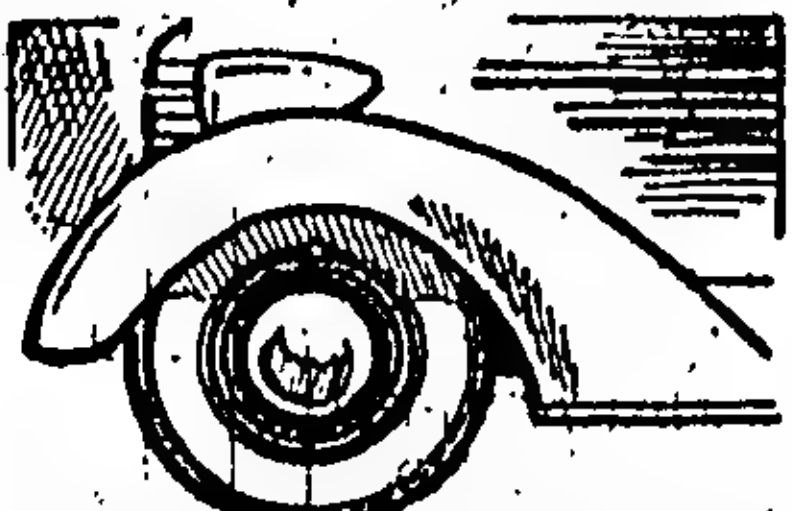
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### The Hongkong Telegraph.

Friday, March 14, 1941.  
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### GOVERNOR RETURNS

HONGKONG bids welcome to its Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, who has returned from England after a 10-months' absence. The Colony's greeting is warm and sincere, and the occasion made all the happier by the re-assurance that His Excellency has fully recovered from the indisposition which caused him to leave last May. When Sir Geoffrey arrived in Hongkong to take up his responsible office in November, 1937, it was generally noted by the press that he came at a difficult and delicate time, the Colony being faced with internal problems and external threats sufficient to test the administrative ability and tact of any man. Unhappily, international events have decreed that His Excellency must return to find the Colony facing a situation even more acute than it was three and a half years ago. During the past ten months the situation in the Far East has deteriorated to such an extent that it has been found necessary for the Colony to take the fullest measures of defence. There has been an evacuation of the naval and military families, as well as a large proportion of British civilian women and children; compulsory military training has been put into effect; A.R.P. precautions have been trebled; taxation has been considerably increased; for the first time in the Colony's history immigration regulations have been introduced; the Colony has been living, and continues to live, in an atmosphere of tension and wondering expectancy.

His Excellency, however, has been one of the millions at home who, during the past year, have learnt to "take it" and Hongkong can therefore look forward to calm and inspiring leadership from its chief executive should the future bring new crises and anxieties. On the other hand, Sir Geoffrey can regard, with no little satisfaction, the fact that under the able guidance of Lieutenant-General E. F. Norton—His Excellency's deputy during the past eight months—Hongkong has attained itself to war needs, has mobilised men and women into efficient defensive units, and generally speaking fitted itself for whatever the future

# THE REAL HEROES

By John Gordon

To the rest of the world the British must seem an extraordinary race. They have performed in the mass during the past year feats of valour probably unequalled in their own history or in the history of any other nation. Yet in their modesty they decline to tell the story of their valour with anything approaching adequacy, or to permit anyone else to do it for them.

Take the instance of the Battle of Britain. On one sunny Sunday afternoon in September the whole fate of the British Empire, and the whole future of the world, depended on about two thousand young men. As the Luftwaffe crossed the Channel to strike what was to be the blow that was to open the way to the invading army, these young men rose in the air and raced to battle. Before night fell they had smashed Hitler. He has never recovered from that afternoon and he never will.

Those young British airmen that day wrote into history one of history's greatest pages. Yet hardly one person in Britain could tell you to-day the names of one of them. They are anonymous heroes. They will live in legend as anonymous heroes. Is there another nation on earth that could have thrown such a veil round immortality? I doubt it. To be so sure of your strength and greatness that you can be proud of it without boasting of it is surely the perfection of confidence.

You might think that even if they hushed up the story of their mass heroism, the British might pay a public tribute to the outstanding bravery of individuals. But no! They are just as secretive about individuals. Recently, one British air station celebrated the bringing down by its squadrons of their 608th German airplane. No other station has equalled this record. You

might suppose that the Commander of this station, who is adored by his men, as one of the greatest air leaders of the war, would receive public recognition of his triumph. But no! He is too modest.

This modesty seems to run through the whole nation. The first girl to win the new George Medal for bravery in Civil Defence was an office typist. Almost without training she found herself in the middle of one of those terrifying air raid dramas which officially the British refer to as "an incident".

She carried out a series of rescues with the utmost calmness and bravery. Shortly afterwards, when awarded her medal, she was asked what her feelings had been. She replied modestly. "At the end of the day I thought to myself this has been a most unpleasant day".

A truly heroic understatement, but typically British.

These civilian air raid defence forces have become a most remarkable body. No soldiers in the field have exceeded in pluck or in discipline the magnificent women who on pitch black nights, with fire bombs and high explosives crashing down all around them, carry the victims of raiders from the bombed houses to the hospitals. Some of them are girls of 18, some middle-aged mothers of families. They go about their work in pairs with no man to support them. Some have died, many have been wounded, but there is hardly a record of one giving up. They see the most appalling side of war, grievously wounded babies, and frenzied mothers, the bodies being carried from the ruins of homes, and the bodies too, that cannot be carried away.

The other evening, while London was being raided, when the whole sky was lit by fires, and bombs seemed to be dropping by the hundred, I stood with two of these ambulance girls beside a rubble heap that ten minutes before had been a happy home. Only one high side wall was still standing.

From the middle of the rubble came a muffled cry. We scrambled across the stones shouting "Where are you?" A girl's voice answered, "Here". "How many?" we shouted. "Five", she said. "We are under a table which is holding up the stones". We stepped back into the dark and called a demolition squad to the rescue. As we did so the standing side wall fell with a crash on the spot where the five victims lay burying them hopelessly. Five lives more to the war account.

A few minutes later, both girls were in their ambulance carrying a screaming woman to the First Aid Post. I saw them many times more that night. They told me several stories of their subsequent adventures, some moving, some amusing. But I was struck by the fact that they never once mentioned how narrowly they had escaped death themselves. They were as unconscious of the heroism as are their men in the air.

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## Ominous Rumblings from Vesuvius!



## Tell them now about

# OUR NEW ORDER

By Lady Rhondda

IF the Press is the Fourth Estate of the Realm, propaganda to enemy and enemy-occupied countries is in wartime the fourth Service arm.

It is not surprising, therefore, that although it is just about as difficult to follow the details of our overseas propaganda as to follow the details of the movements of our fleet, the public takes a very considerable interest in how that propaganda is done. It ought to.

There is a widespread impression that up to now it has not been done as well as it might have been. That is pretty certainly true.

But I do not think our propaganda has deserved all the hard things that have been said about it.

Parts of it have been excellent. It has shown one great merit, perhaps the greatest of all. The facts have been given soberly, honestly and without exaggeration.

### Truthful News

It is an enormous thing to have achieved for our news service that it is to-day the one European news service in which the whole world believes.

I have sometimes heard it argued that the success of our news service is enough. That to give the facts is all that we need to do. But it is not.

People are apt to talk as if there were something inherently dishonest about propaganda.

That is nonsense. Propaganda is not in the least inherently dishonest. Its morality depends upon what you are talking about—and why. And on whether you tell the truth about it.

But obviously before you can do propaganda you must have something to talk about, and it must be worth talking about.

### Where We Fail

And that brings me to the chief thing which has, I think, been wrong with our propaganda up to date. Insofar as we have failed to put our point of view across it has been because we had never properly formulated it even to ourselves.

In the first place, whom is our propaganda for? It is for the countries now dominated by Germany—Poland, Norway, Holland and the rest. It is for the people inside Germany. And it is for the people who are prepared to fight sooner than be dominated by Germany.

What do these countries want?

They want freedom and they want security and peace.

That is, they want above all to be assured that this kind of thing is not going to happen again.

### We're Too Modest

Now in her New Order Germany offers them two out of the three things they ask for. She offers them peace, and a kind of security: that is, she offers them an assurance that this war will not begin again.

True, the peace is the peace of a desert. True, the New Order is order under the heel of the conqueror. But men can come to such a pass, such a state of hopeless misery and despair, that even peace in Hell seems worth the taking.

When we answer Germany by saying to these small nations, "You shall all have your independence back when we win. Europe shall revert to the thirty or so completely sovereign states of which she consisted before the war," is it surprising if they give a sigh of despair?

For they know very well that not one of them can defend their sovereignty when they get it.

The fact is that in the past we have shown ourselves to be much too modest.

"Germany," said Professor Madariaga recently, "wants to dominate the world," and he added hopefully, "Great Britain wants to organise it."

"Hopefully," because that is exactly what Britain has always tried to avoid doing, and she does not even yet seem to realise that if we are ever to have lasting peace that is just what she must make up her mind to do.

But I am quite sure that unless we do organise Europe at least, Germany will dominate it. If not in 1941, then in 1951.

Our trouble in the past, as I say, is that we have been too modest. For we— we and America—could organise the world if we chose. If we—and America—were first to make up our minds what we proposed to do, and then to tell other nations of the world that we meant to do it, we might get at a comparatively low cost a lasting peace.

What we should tell them, I think, is that we propose to establish both at home and abroad the civilisation for which we are now fighting.

We should add that we hope and believe that all our Allies will be of the same mind as ourselves in this matter, and that we shall welcome their active help in our task.

That we hope and believe the majority of the people of Germany will, when they have thrown off their present rulers, also be of the same mind as to what constitutes civilisation. But that whether they are or not will make but little difference.

For that civilisation is what in any case we propose to establish—in detail at home, and in its broad principles wherever our writ runs. And that in future any country which attempts to break its fundamental laws will have to reckon with America and with Britain.

### Policing The World

The policing of the world (yes, that is what it comes to) will be a perfect curse to us, and to America, of course. But not half the curse that this war is.

The establishment in Great Britain of the civilisation for which we are fighting (and it would obviously be quite impossible to take the lead in establishing civilisation abroad unless we were first prepared to set an example at home) will involve making this island into a real Democracy.

As Herbert Morrison remarked the other day, "It is high time that we outgrow our economic swaddling clothes, and the system of social inequality and privilege that accompanies them."

The establishment of that civilisation in broad outline throughout Europe will not involve any interference with the internal affairs of other nations except in so far as they interfere with those of their neighbours.

### A Lead For Peace

But we shall have to say that we regard as interference, any economic laws calculated to upset the easy functioning of the internal economy of Europe; any attempt at aggression by military or economic methods. And lastly, that we shall regard as interference with its neighbours any bullying or torturing by any country of its own minorities.

There must be no more pogroms or concentration camp brutalities, for they are the kind of things that lead to wars. And we do not propose to permit practices that are likely to lead to wars.

We—and America—are the leaders of the civilised world, and it is the business of leaders to lead, in peace as well as in war. Until we get that into our heads we shall inevitably fail in our propaganda, because we shall have no propaganda to put across.

Before you have propaganda you must have a policy. And once you have the right policy your propaganda just makes itself.

All we need is first the courage to realise what we shall inevitably have to do if we are ever to know real peace. And, secondly, the courage to tell the world that we mean to do it.



## Allied Armies Drawing Near Abyssinia Capital

NAIROBI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—More progress in the advance from the south towards Addis Ababa is recorded in a communiqué issued here to-day.

Patriot forces, it is now confirmed, have occupied Yavello, 70 miles north of Mega. The patriots are following up the Italians' retreat in co-operation with the Imperial forces from Molo.

In Italian Somaliland, the British forces surprised the enemy at Dag-hubur, a post 100 miles south of Jijiga and captured prisoners and the lorries in which they were preparing to escape.

### Second Largest Town

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Our advance forces are now 80 miles from Jijiga which is linked by road with Hara, the second largest town in Abyssinia. It is pointed out that we are now advancing along the road which the Italians built in their campaign against the Ethiopians.

### Advance From Sudan

KHARTOUM, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Maintaining their relentless pressure following the fall of Addis, 45 miles inside Abyssinia from Kurnuk, British forces have now taken Asosa, 40 miles south-east of Kurnuk. Asosa was captured on Tuesday evening after combined operations by the Sudan Defence Force and East African troops.

Details of the action are not yet received.

## YUGO-SLAVIA

### Resists Axis Demands

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Yugo-Slavs are resisting Nazi pressure, according to the Ankara radio to-night.

"The Yugo-Slavs are resolutely determined to remain neutral," said the Turkish announcer, "and German pressure is fast leading to anti-Axis feeling in Yugo-Slavia."

The announcer added that although an understanding between Germany and Yugo-Slavia was claimed yesterday, a subsequent change in the German demands seemed to have prevented the Yugo-Slavs from signing the agreement.

### Half An Agreement

BELGRADE, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—While the Germans have been pressing Yugo-Slavia to sign the Tripartite Pact, well-informed quarters, though emphasising Yugo-Slavia's desire for good relations with all her neighbours, including Germany, insist that any "concessions" made to the Nazis must be "consonant with the nation's real interests."

It is thought that Yugo-Slavia may be prepared to accept, finally, an expression of friendship and non-aggression; accordingly, some instrument giving formal shape to the existing economic relations between the two countries.

Meanwhile calm prevailed in Belgrade to-day as the Yugo-Slav-German conversations continued through the normal diplomatic channels.

## Day Of Prayer

A telegram from the Secretary of State for the Colonies has been received to the effect that His Majesty the King has appointed Sunday, March 23 as a national day of prayer for strength and guidance in days to come and of thanksgiving for blessings already received.

## Bombs Concealed In Ligation Luggage

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The fact that the bomb which exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel at Istanbul was surreptitiously added to the British Legation's hand luggage before it left Sofia is confirmed in a report from Mr George W. Rendel, the former British Minister in Sofia, to the Foreign Office in London.

The report says that two suitcases were placed in the train. They appeared to contain dirty clothing, old newspapers and dry batteries.

After one had exploded at the Pera Palace Hotel, the second was thrown into a pit in open ground by a clerk

## CHINA'S EDUCATION EPIC

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The exodus of Chinese universities to West China before the Japanese advance will prove one of the greatest epics in history when the story is fully written, said Professor E. H. Hughes, Professor of Chinese at Oxford, lecturing at the Chinese Institute.

Both the exodus and the continuance of the universities under intolerable war difficulties were a strikingly characteristic exhibition of the Chinese spirit in the 20th century.

### Disabilities Removed

Professor Hughes paid tribute to the zeal with which war disabilities were gradually being removed and emphasised the place which "sound learning" always had in the traditions of the Chinese people and their eagerness for all branches of knowledge to-day.

Higher education in China, he said, had much to do with preparing those positive and constructive forces of man's spirit on which the well-being of the future depends.

## GERMANS BEST PEOPLE

### Goebbels Again

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Four centuries of German history are in the course of revision, declared Dr Goebbels, speaking at Vienna on the occasion of the anniversary of the Austrian Anschluss.

He described Germans as the greatest and soundest people on earth and the German Army as the best in the world.

There remained the last enemy—England.

Referring to Vienna's problems, he said that everyone had burdens but they should remember that the Fuehrer bore the greatest burden of them all and was himself a son of Austria.

## OIL ON PACIFIC WATERS

### Japanese Envoy's Speech

SYDNEY, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Australian fears of Japan were described as "completely unnecessary" by Mr Tatsuo Kawai, the first Japanese Minister to Australia, on arrival here to-day.

He said: "Australia is for Australians and Asia for Asiatics."

He hoped to see a "geographical, racial, commercial, economic and political axis between Australia and Asia."

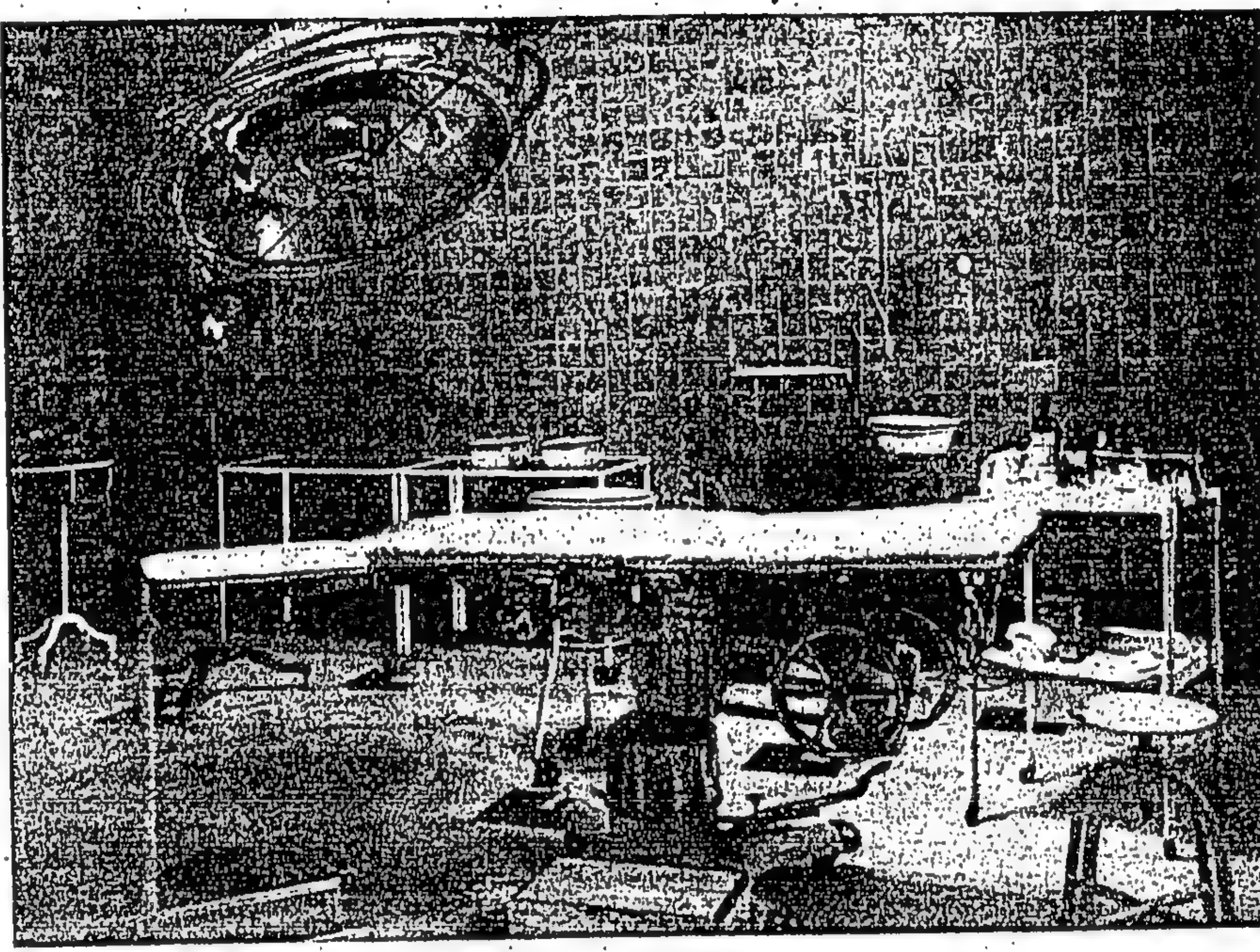
### Auxiliary Ship Sunk

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The auxiliary vessel, Manistee, has been sunk, according to an Admiralty communiqué.

The Manistee was a converted vessel of 5,300 tons.

## Hongkong's Latest Hospital

Hongkong's latest hospital—the Tai Wo—which is fully equipped with modern appliances, is being opened to-day at No. 1 Babington Path. Here are two pictures of the hospital, one giving an exterior view and the other showing the operating theatre.—Sun Ying Ming Studio.



## Egypt Is Happy In Alliance

### Faith In Democracies

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Egypt's faith in a democratic victory was expressed in an interview with "Reuter" to-day by Egypt's Premier, Hussain Sirry Pasha.

"Egypt has voluntarily ranged herself on the side of the democracies and we have every confidence that the democracies will emerge victorious from the struggle," he declared.

Referring to his talks with Mr Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, he said that Egypt was going to supply Britain with cotton, onions, wheat and rice and that Britain would supply the shipping that Egypt has fulfilled all her obligations under the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, the Premier declared. "With mutual goodwill, which prevails between the two countries who are so closely linked together, no difference will arise. We shall march on together towards ultimate victory."

## Assisting China

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—At question time in the House of Commons to-day, Mr Harcourt Johnstone, Secretary for Overseas Trade, said that hitherto no part of the British credits to China had been used for purchase abroad.

The Labour member, Mr M. P. Price, interposed: "Is everything being done that can be done to assist the Chinese Republic in the present struggle?"

Mr Johnstone: "Yes."

## FOOD SHORTAGE REPORTED FROM WUHAN CITY AREA

CHANGTEH, Mar. 14 (Central News).—There is an acute shortage of foodstuffs in Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang, Yangtze cities now under Japanese occupation, according to Chinese refugees who arrived here from Hankow. Rice is sold at more than \$100 per picul.

## India Forestalls Some Post-War Problems

NEW DELHI, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—A communiqué issued to-day states that the Raj have had under consideration the necessity of taking steps to ensure that the services of all desiring to assist in the prosecution of the war should be utilised to the fullest extent.

Youths suitable for emergency commissions are called for and also those suitable for civil employment.

There are reasons to believe that such persons may hesitate to apply for emergency commissions, fearing to lose permanently their chances of civil employment after the war.

The Raj consider it desirable to remove these apprehensions. It has, therefore, been decided, with the approval of the Secretary of State for India, to leave 50 per cent. of the annual vacancies occurring in the Indian Civil Service and the Indian Police unfilled with a view to their being made available after the war to be filled by suitable candidates with war service.

### Natives And Europeans

This decision applies equally to recruitment of Indians and Europeans and to recruitment made in India and in England.

The Raj propose to apply a similar scheme of reservation to the central services with necessary modifications imposed by the peculiar requirements of particular services.

The provincial governments are expected to make their own pronouncements in respect of the services under their control.

The vacancies thus reserved will be filled immediately after the war from candidates who rendered approved war service.

## Kitchen Sacrifices For Democracy

### CLEVELAND, Ohio, Mar. 13

(Reuter).—The American housewife will have to do without aluminum pots and pans in future in order to help win the war for democracy.

The aluminum utensil industry has been virtually told by the National Defence Priorities Board that they will not be able to get aluminum in future.

This ban on the manufacture of aluminum pots and pans is the first total restriction since the defence programme started.



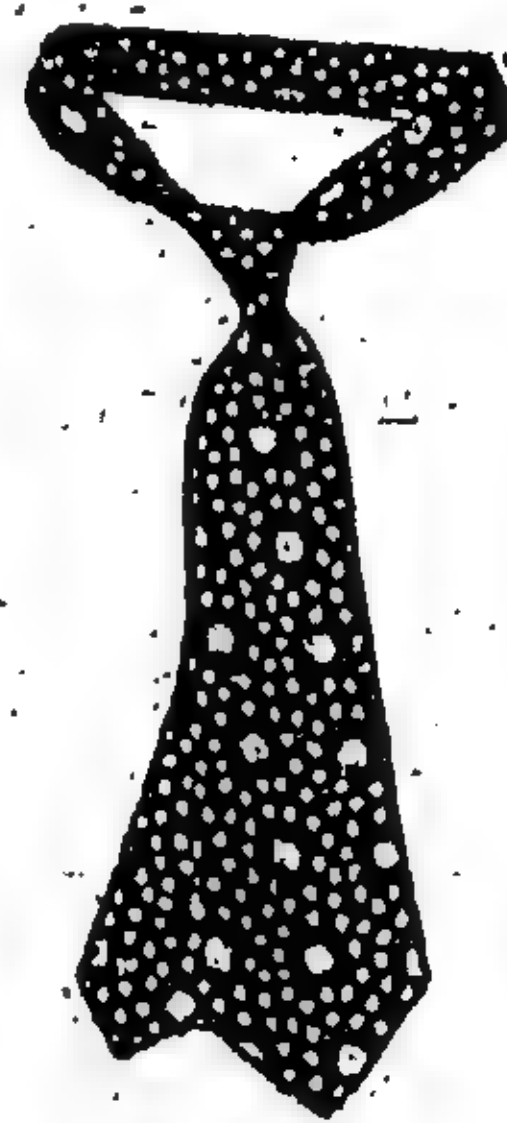
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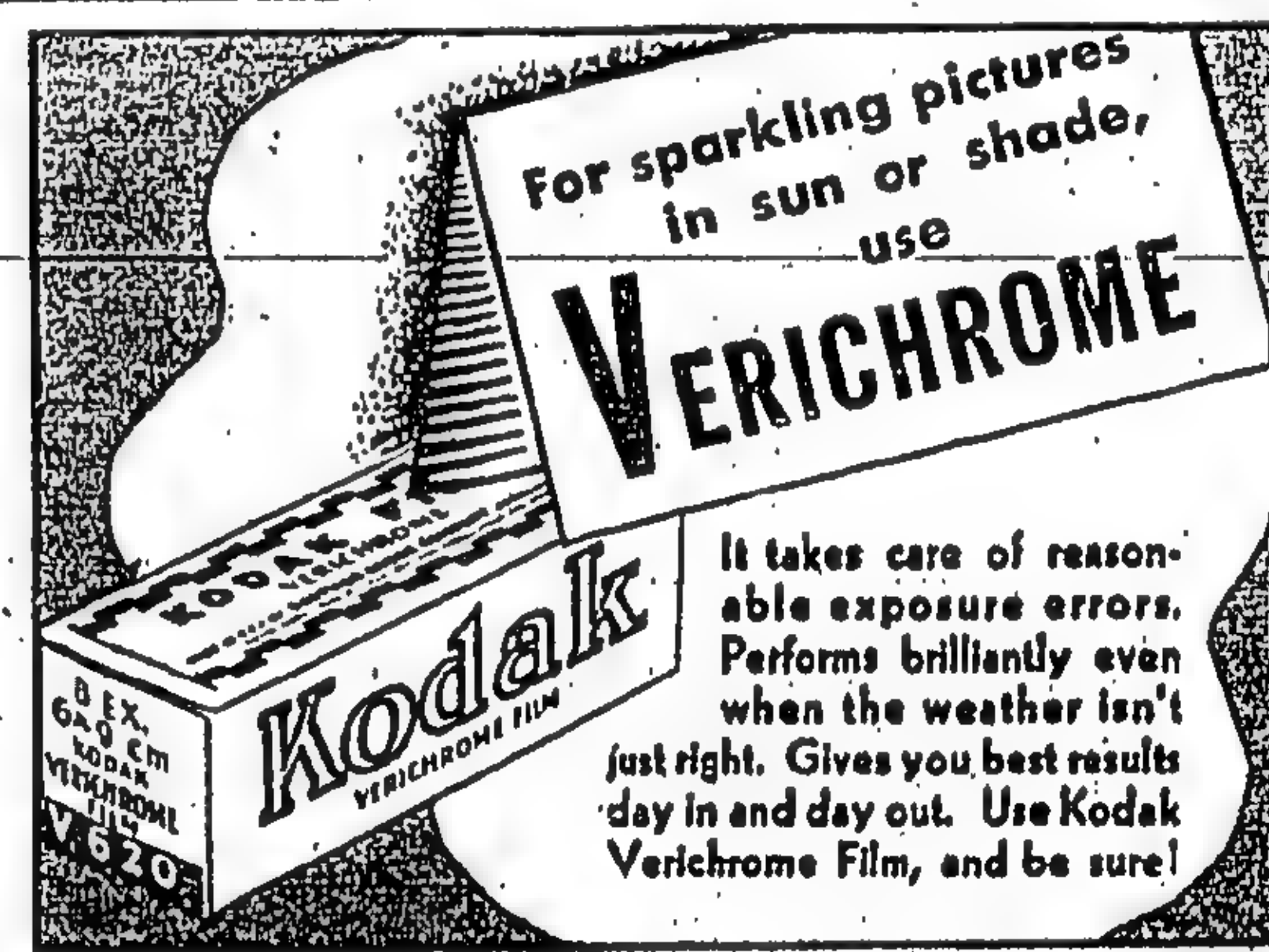
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## HONGKONG INTERPORT XI



Hongkong Hockey XI.—K. Hussain (Umpire), V. C. Bond, A. E. P. Gdest (Umpire), V. M. Benwell, J. Gonsalves, H. L. Ozorio, Gurbachan Singh. Front row: Karminder Singh, R. Marques, B. Gosano, W. A. Reed, W. Brown and N. Whitley.

### The Melbourne Cup

## The Main Event On Programme

### Baffin Bay Favoured

THE MELBOURNE CUP was inaugurated the year when a consignment of 20 Australian subscription ponies raced for the first time in Hongkong at the 1931 Annual Carnival.

Following is a list of winners since the inception:				
Pony	Weight	Jockey	Distance	Time
1931 Woodland Stag	158 lb.	Quincey	1 1/4 miles	2:29 1/2
1932 Woodland Stag	166 ..	Quincey	From Two Mile Post, once round	
1933 Woodland Stag	166 ..	Frost	do	2:04 1/2
1934 Able Amazon	160 ..	Frost	do	2:04 1/2
1935 Able Amazon	160 ..	D. S. Li	do	2:09 1/2
1936 Bag Tor	160 ..	Frost	do	1:59 1/2
1937 Strathroy	154 ..	Black	1 1/4 miles	2:03 1/2
1938 Electron	154 ..	Needa	do	2:16 1/2
1939 Lucky Lad	154 ..	Needa	do	2:14 1/2
1940 Lucky Lad	154 ..	Needa	do	2:14 1/2

It will be seen from the above that the mighty Woodland Stag annexed the Melbourne Cup four years in succession, and there was no doubt that the bay measuring 14.1 hands was a great carrier of weights.

It was not a handicap event, but in 1932 the weight was 162 lb. and winners at any time of one race 5 lb. penalty, of two races 10 lb., of three or more races 14 lb.

Being a winner of several races, the pony had to shoulder 166 lb. for two years, but in 1934 the weight was lowered to 146 lb. with the same ratio of extra poundage for winners. In the first three years Woodland Stag was owned by the original subscriber, the late Mr. Chan Tin-ron, and the last of pony's racing career was in Mr. L. Dunbar's colours. However, the weight was brought down to 140 lb. in 1937.

In 1935 Able Amazon carrying 160 lb. established a record time of 1:59 1/2 over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, and it was certainly a creditable performance.

The run for the last four years has been over the champion course of 1 1/4 miles, but to-morrow the distance of

this classic event has been lengthened to two miles.

The weight is same, commencing at 140 lb. for non-winners, but a ban has been placed on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941, and this has only put a full stop to the entry of Distinct View, Sapper and Uited Express.

### Good Nominations

THE Cup has undoubtedly attracted a few good nominations for this valuable first prize of \$2,000 and a fairly representative field should face the start. Though class does not predominate among the entry, we have some useful stayers in the contest and a good race is assured.

Baffin Bay (winner of 1939 Fremantle St. Leger), Brutus of 1941 Ladies Purse over two miles, Far View of 1940 Roxy-Hill Derby, Marsh Warbler of 1941 Austral Heptad Stakes over 1 1/4 miles, Piccadilly Jim of two handicap events of two miles in 1940, and Triumphant Day of 1939 Roxy-Hill Derby, are definitely accepting. Fleeting is sure starter with Mr. Poy in the saddle and so will Vice-roy with Mr. Black up. My best three are Baffin Bay, Far View and Marsh Warbler.

# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## First Extra Meeting

### Nine Events: Randwick Plate Divided Into Four Sections

THE FIRST EXTRA Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be held to-morrow at Happy Valley with a proviso "weather permitting" and there are the usual nine events to be contested.

With a "mute Royal Observatory" no one can predict what sort of a weather we are going to have, but with heavy clouds prevailing at time of writing coupled with white horses in the harbour, it is almost certain as daylight on the morrow that the grass track will be soft, but not heavy.

The important event of to-morrow's racing in point of class is the Melbourne Cup over two miles for all Australian ponies with a ban on winners of \$4,000 or more in stakes since January 1, 1941. It is a valuable event, for the first prize is worth \$2,000 to the winner with \$750 and \$500 respectively for the two lower positions in the semaphore.

The Randwick Plate for non-winning Australian subscription ponies of this season has attracted no less than 62 nominations, but the entries have been drawn into four sections, and the first prize in each division is \$1,000.

This means that the field will not be cramped with over a dozen runners in each section, and there is a golden opportunity for those placed ponies to make amends. It is learned from a reliable source that Mr. Eric Moller's string of over a dozen fine animals will not be returning to Shanghai until after the first half racing season, and Mr. Peter Wei has been entrusted to pilot the stable.

### The Curtain Raiser

FIRST saddling bell will be rung at 1:30 p.m. when the first section of the Randwick Plate will be the curtain raiser. The run is over the mile. Among the sixteen drawn in this section there should not be any difficulty to spot the winner, for Jus Gentium is head and shoulders above the rest.

We need not consider Vitamin M. who is under a cloud, and I doubt either Arxxy II or Seal River will be a menace to Mr. S. W. Lee's candidate.

It is learned that the champion Jockey will ride Jus Gentium and the combination will no doubt be a hot favourite.

### First Leg Of Daily Double

THE FIRST LEG of the daily double event is on the Randwick Plate (third section) for Australian subscription ponies, and the contest, I am afraid, is going to be a tame affair. Black Seal should have an easy run with The Koola, Bear and Bendigo to follow in the rear.

### SPORTS ADVT.

#### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held, weather permitting, on SATURDAY, 15th March, 1941, (postponed from Saturday, 8th March, 1941) commencing at 2:00 p.m. The First Bell will be rung at 1:30 p.m.

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No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member. Such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11:45 a.m.

Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21820).

No children or animals will be admitted to either Enclosure.

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary,  
Hongkong, 10th March, 1941.

### Macao Racing Postponed

The next race meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, originally scheduled for March 23, has been postponed to April 6.

### Badminton Championship Commences

FIRST MATCHES in the Colony Badminton Championships were played at King's College last night. These were:

Senior Singles  
P. K. Hooi beat S. Amplanvar 15-5, 15-7.  
Junior Singles  
J. L. Anderson beat H. Weng-toh 15-10, 18-16.  
Junior Doubles  
T. S. Young and M. K. Fung beat D. Chelliah and K. H. Khoo 18-10, 12-15, 15-8.

Hooi was far superior to Amplanvar in court-craft. The latter had a fine turn of speed, and was equally adept in the various shots of the game, but he was opposed to a player who had excellent command of direction, and in this he was eventually defeated.

As can be seen from the score, Hooi was never pressed. His steadiness carried him through several of the interesting duels, for his defence was ever a foil to Amplanvar's speed and smashing.

### Doubles Duel

THE DOUBLES match produced some of the most exciting moments of the evening. Young and Fung took the first game, after setting at 13-all, lost the second in an equally close struggle, but in the third triumphed through greater stamina. Young was the better of the winners, but Chelliah, with a fine touch and control, was the best on the court. With better support from Khoo the match would easily have gone the other way.

### Junior Singles

J. L. ANDERSON, though victorious, did not have matter all his own way against H. Weng-toh. The former, with better strategy, took several points when the latter was hopelessly out-positioned. It was, in fact, Anderson's better control and clever mixing of his shots that carried him through a close match.

The second game was anybody's until after it had been settled at 13-all.

### Derby And Oaks May Be Run At Newbury

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuters).—For the first time in its history the Derby will be run at Newbury, probably on the Saturday of a meeting fixed for June 6 and 7, with the Oaks, on the first day of the meeting.

The stewards have arranged, according to the racing calendar, for the fixtures at the Newbury meeting, but do not say which race will be held on which day, though a reliable authority gives the Derby for the more popular day, Saturday.

It has also been decided to hold the Ascot races at the Newmarket meeting of June 18 and 19.

### "Y" Hockey Teams

Following will represent the Y.M.C.A. at hockey on the "Y" ground on Saturday:

1st XI v. Khalea (4.15 p.m.)—Benwell; Taylor, Youliffe; Jordan, Bomber, Waldron; Spence, Morgan, Hitchcock, Ure, Dunne.  
2nd XI v. A Navy XI (3 p.m.)—Cleghett; Riffon, Saxby, Smith, Trillmore, Gorman, Macy, Olsen, Dormer, Fancy, Banks.

### Randwick Plate

#### Second Section

### Corsair Has Chance To Finish First

IN A FIELD OF 24 runners, which was a record for Australian ponies, Corsair finished third behind A Surprising Time and Black Seal in the Flemington Plate (first section) over the mile.

I have great confidence that the mare by Fleuriste will run away with the second section of the Randwick Plate and it is hoped that Corsair will not let me down.

It is interesting to recall that Jus Gentium, whom I have tipped for the opening event, and Corsair are the offspring, by the same sire.

Bona Vacantia and Daylight are good for places.

Much was expected of Sydney Diamond, but, as the precious stone has cost the public too much money, it would be advisable to leave the chestnut alone.

The pony is a nice galloper and it would interest one to know whether Sydney Diamond is a stinker. The other alternative is perhaps that he does not like a muddy course.

### Loiterers Stakes

## CHARLESBER CHALLENGED

THERE ARE 13 entries for the Loiterers Stakes confined to China pony griffins of this season over six furlongs.

I have reason to believe that Charlesber is not a sprinter and the stallion will have to be at his best to stave off the strong challenge of Wonderful Scheme who is well keyed for the fight.

As a place-getter Iron Beauty is recommended, but for a big dividend Lovely View is worth following.

### Second Leg Of Daily Double

THE SECOND LEG of the daily double event is on the Broadmeadows Handicap for "C" class Australian ponies over a mile and the winner is to receive \$1,000.

With Caterick Bridge and Centre Court out of the road, Venus Bay should not have any trouble making her acquaintance with the judge.

However, strong opposition may come from either Bruno, Cheerful Star or Cockleroi, Mr. Needa on Venus Bay is sure to give a fine exhibition of hard riding against the front line invaders.

### L. Karpovich Leads Chess Tournament

L. KARPOVICH maintains his lead in the Colony Chess Championship. He beat G. S. Coxhead last night after a 6 1/2 hours' game, the latter resigning on the 78th move.

E. Zimmern, last year's runner-up, and third in the table to date, beat K. Weiss.

Present standings are:  
L. Karpovich ..... 6 1/2 points  
C. M. Siquiera ..... 5 1/2 points  
E. Zimmern ..... 5 1/2 points  
G. Coxhead ..... 3 points  
K. Weiss ..... 3 points  
Carvalho ..... 1 1/2 points

### Junior Matches

In the Junior Tournament, A. Y. Birlikoff beat A. Kurrik; Un Kwai-yung beat V. V. Kolatchoff; J. Grefalda beat A. Morton; and J. Tusz beat J. H. D'Almeida.

### Race Horses

## Burned To Death In Manila Fire

MANILA, Mar. 12.—Four race horses belonging to Elias Cordiales, better known to racing fans as Jockey Elias, were burned to death last night in a fire which destroyed six houses in barrio Baclaran, Paranaque.

The fire started in the house of Jockey Elias, but its origin could not be determined. Police estimated total damage at P5,000. Two persons were taken for investigation.

The horses, Annak, Marathon, Remichet and Novatos, were tied under Elias' house by their grooms, Manuel Esquerre and Diosdado Vazquez, who were asleep when the fire started. They could have been saved, police said, but the blaze had spread before the grooms were awakened.

Annak, which ran its last race Sunday, was valued at P1,000. The other three were priced at P250 each.

## MACAO INTERPORT XI



The Victorious Macao XI.—Back row: F. Nolasco, Albert Airoso, P. Angelo jr., L. Costa and R. Angelo. Centre row: J. Nolasco, Alex Airoso and J. Silva. Kneeling—J. Ferreira, C. Capitulo and A. Basto.

### Moonee Ponds Handicap

## Stake Money Increased For "B" Class Australians

IN THE MOONEE PONDS Handicap for "B" class Australian ponies I expect to see a big field, and there are, no doubt, several good milers in the list of entries. Last year the first prize stake money for "A" class riders was \$600 whereas to-morrow the winner is to receive \$1,000. We shall certainly see a good tussle.

### Oakleigh Plate For Non-winning Australians

THERE ARE 18 entries for the Oakleigh Plate confined to non-winning Australian imported griffins over a mile.

The stable belonging to Lee Bros heads the list with five candidates and they cost the owners a total sum of \$12,550.

During the five days of annual meeting they were only able to collect an aggregate of \$1,000 and the stake money was contributed by Lotus Stand (\$400), Nemine Poemae (\$600) and Vis Major (\$600).

If Oracle weighs out to-morrow, their chances for premier place are not bright. Prairie View is the most dangerous pony to upset all calculations.

Looking over the handicaps, it is not easy to pick the winner, but I rate Conniebor, Pumpernickel, Rowan and Vixen Tor as four dangerous candidates.

The last named is getting no younger, for the mare was of 1935 class, and the brown will be somewhat handicapped with the absence of Mr. Noodt as her pilot.

Rowan ran a very bad race in the Bendigo Handicap and it seemed that the sloppy track was the cause of her failure.

I like Pumpernickel provided, of course, the jockey can keep the bay to the post instead of running out at the band.

## A TIGHT FINISH

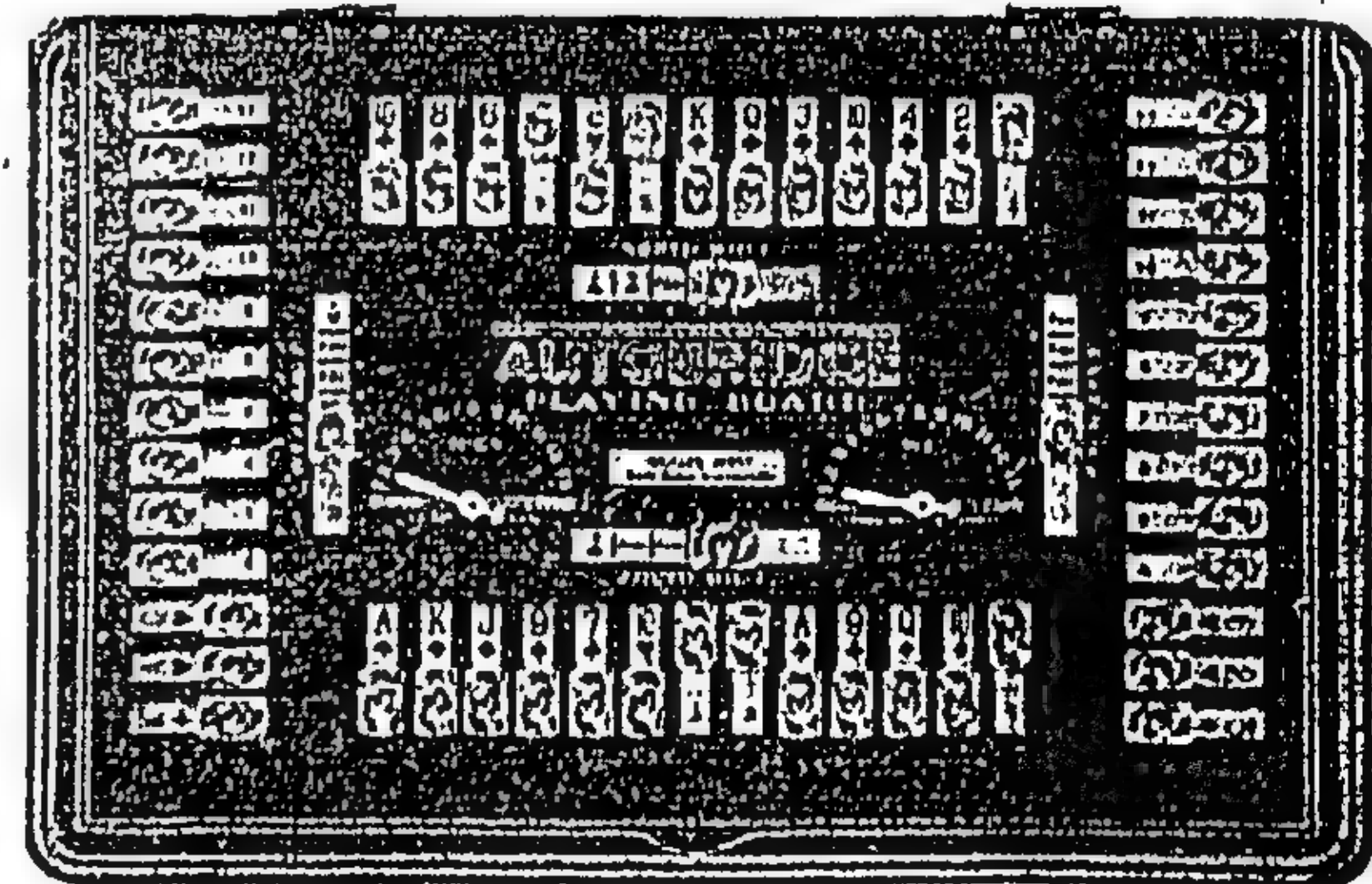
THE RANDWICK PLATE (fourth section) for Australian sub-griffins should result in a tight finish between A Rosy Time, Optima Fide and Sydney Lady. The first named pony is my fancy.

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## Italians Mown Down In Mass Attacks

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Italians have adopted mass infantry attacks with tremendous forces in a futile attempt to repulse the Greeks on the central front in Albania, according to a Greek press bulletin quoted by the Athens radio.

The mass attacks were supported by heavy artillery bombardment.

Despite frantic efforts by the Italians, no ground was regained. Finally the Italians were forced to desist and retired, leaving a field strewn with dead and wounded.

Mussolini's presence in Albania is now confirmed, the announcer said. It Duce has not succeeded in heartening the troops nor in changing the fortune of war.

The announcer added: "If Duce is returning to Italy on Saturday, his plan was to take back a victory with which to console his disconsolate people. Instead, he will take back one more defeat—the heaviest of all—altogether with the maledictions of the battered Italian Army."

### Heavy Offensive

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Failure of the heavy Italian attacks in Albania is announced in a Greek communiqué which says: "The enemy continued his offensive throughout the day, launching repeated violent attacks along a wide front all day."

"Large forces of infantry were used, supported by strong artillery and many aircraft."

"Our troops repulsed all enemy attacks, inflicting heavy losses. Our aircraft successfully bombed military targets. Our anti-aircraft guns brought down two enemy aircraft."

## Badoglio Going To Albania, Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—Ankara radio, without confirmation, to-day declared that General Badoglio has been sent to Albania to render expert technical advice.

## ESCORTED R. A. F. BOMBERS

### Raid N. France

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—British fighters escorted a bomber squadron across the Channel soon after mid-day today to attack the German-occupied aerodrome at Calais, says an Air Ministry communiqué.

Bombs were seen to burst on the aerodrome and among the aircraft dispersed at one end of it.

Other fighters carried out offensive patrols over the Channel and northern France during the afternoon and destroyed an enemy fighter.

An enemy bomber which crossed the south coast was promptly intercepted and shot down into the sea.

One British fighter is missing from these operations.

## President Pierce Carries Evacuees

CHUNGKING, Mar. 13 (Central News).—The U.S. President Pierce left Shanghai for America on Tuesday night with 109 American evacuees on its passenger list.

About 70 per cent of them are women and children and there are a number of merchants who travel frequently between China and America.

## Mr Matsuoka Seeks Pilots And Planes

### Reported Request To Hitler

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Mar. 13 (UP).—Diplomatic sources declare that Mr Matsuoka may ask Hitler to send 1,500 German pilots, and an equivalent number of German planes to Japan, flying to the Japanese bases across Russia and Siberia.

The same sources heard that the Soviets have not granted permission for such a flight and that permission may not be granted.

Mr Matsuoka is said to carry a personal letter from the Emperor to Hitler, but his immediate mission is to request the formation of a German air force in the Orient.

The German Ambassador to Tokyo, Major General Ott, is reported to have already transmitted the Japanese request to Berlin and that Japan is also asking for Soviet assurances.

The Emperor's letter is reported to carry an eventual mediation offer stressing the success of the Thai-Indo China mediation.

**Moscow Banquet**  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The presence for the second time of M. Molotov at a banquet of the Japanese Embassy in Moscow is regarded in diplomatic circles there as an indication of the progress towards improvement of Soviet-Japanese relations, according to a German official news agency dispatch from Moscow to Berlin.

The banquet was given by General Tatematsu, the Japanese Ambassador, in honour of M. Molotov.

M. Vishinsky, the Soviet Deputy Commissar for Foreign Affairs, and other prominent Soviet personages were present, the dispatch adds.

**Soviet Press Silent**  
MOSCOW, Mar. 13 (UP).—The local press did not report the departure of Mr Matsuoka who is expected to arrive on Soviet soil March 17.

## German Missionaries In Rhodesia

LUSAKA, Northern Rhodesia, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Thirty-five of 39 German missionaries in Northern Rhodesia have been confined to their mission stations.

This was announced by the Chief Secretary in the Legislative Council to-day.

Free contact with the natives is forbidden.

The other four are subject to supervision and restrictions in their movements.

There are 14 Italian missionaries in the territory.

All enemy missionaries have surrendered their arms, radio sets and motor cars.



Lord Beaverbrook

## Beaverbrook May Become Minister Of Shipping

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The House of Commons held a secret session to-day to discuss shipping.

It is rumoured that Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Air Production, will shortly replace Mr Ronald Cross as Minister of Shipping and Transport.

This report is circulated with reports from Sydney that Mr Cross is going to Australia.

Lieutenant-Colonel Moore-Brabazon, Minister of Transport, is stated to succeed Lord Beaverbrook. Mr Cross has recently been under fire for his shortcomings as shipping Minister.

## CARGO SHIPS FOR BRITAIN American Plan

NEW YORK, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The building of 500 cargo ships for Britain is provided for in the United States Maritime Commission's new emergency programme, according to the "Journal of Commerce."

The Commission is also considering placing the liners Washington and Manhattan on the New York-Lisbon route, replacing the smaller ships at present operating that route, according to the "New York Times."

**Saving Dollars**  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Responsibility for between \$300,000,000 and \$350,000,000 worth of unfilled British orders for war material and British-owned facilities for munition production in the United States may be transferred to the United States Government.

This was disclosed to-day by a high administrative official who stated that negotiations on the subject were proceeding. This would relieve some of the pressure on Britain's efforts to raise dollar exchange.

It is estimated that British own about \$100,000,000 worth of munition factories and production facilities in the United States.

**MARSHAL LONGMORE R.A.F. PREPARING BLOW AT GERMANY**

ATHENS, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—"When the time comes, the R.A.F. in the Middle East will strike at the Germans as hard as it has struck at the Italians," declared Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore, Commander-in-Chief of the R.A.F. in the Middle East, in an interview with the Greek newspaper, "Eunos."

Asked to what he attributed the defeat of the Italian air force, Sir Arthur replied: "In my opinion, it is due to the dearth of inspired leaders and lack of organisation. In addition, Italian airmen have not the high morale and courage which comes from the conviction that one is fighting for a just cause."

## Fighting In Vicinity Of Canton Japanese Worsted

SHIUKWAN, Mar. 13 (Central News).—Following in pursuit of the Japanese, the Chinese have recovered Chunglow, south of Tolschau, and are encircling the Japanese at Towsan and Kwonghol, towns further south.

A Japanese unit moving away from Lungchow and Nanyangchuan, along the Canton-Hankow Railway 25 miles north of Canton, was intercepted and attacked by Chinese troops on March 10.

On the same day a Japanese unit from Taipeichong, a small town 13 miles south of Taungfa, pushed toward Nkungshan, nearby, and came into a clash with the Chinese. After suffering some casualties, it retreated to Taipeichong.

In the meantime another Japanese unit driving toward Lungchow from Shenkong, about eight miles south of Tsungia, was also repulsed.

**Chinese Recover Tungcheng**  
CHUNGKING, Mar. 13 (Central News).—Two Chinese columns converged on Tungcheng in south Hupeh yesterday evening. They re-occupied Kungshing and other outer defence points at midnight and forced a retreat into the town itself at 2 a.m. to-day. The Japanese retreated northward.

After repulsing the Japanese westward thrust, the Chinese are pushing further back on the opposite banks of Ichang on the upper reaches of the Yangtze.

The Japanese troops who occupied Liangyuan, north-east of Hotel in central Anhwei, on March 8 were subjected to an encircling attack on March 10.

## New Zealand's Airmen

More Than 5,000 Annually

LONDON, Mar. 13 (British Wireless).—An account of the magnificent contribution New Zealand is making to the Empire air strength was given by the Minister of Defence who revealed that since the outbreak of war, no less than 500 pilots, 350 observers and 580 air-gunnery men have left for service overseas.

As a result of the increase in the number of air force stations, the output of airmen was now over 5,000 a year.

Giving an account of the airmen already on active service, the Minister said that these young men had made a splendid record for themselves and their country. Three had earned George Medals, two won the D.F.C. and bar, eight the Air Force Cross and one the Croix de Guerre. The total awards numbered 76.

**Training In Canada**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (British Wireless).—An increase of \$4,000,000 in the cost of the British Commonwealth Air Training Scheme was disclosed to-day with the announcement that the revised estimate is placed at \$1,000,000,000, of which Canada is providing \$583,000,000.

**Shipbuilding**  
Some details of the big ship-building programme to be undertaken by the Dominion were also disclosed and show that the programme included the building of 70 corvettes, 50 minesweepers, 20 merchant vessels as well as a large number of small craft.

Canadian shipyards have already launched 45 corvettes and 13 minesweepers.

**Kleffens For N.E.I.**

LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The Netherlands Foreign Minister, Dr E. N. van Kleffens, has reached Lisbon en route to the Netherlands Indies, according to the Free French Agency's correspondent.

**Losses And Thefts**  
Miss Basket of the Helena May Institute has reported to the Police the theft or loss of a wrist watch, a gold cross, a woollen jumper, a green jacket, and a pair of silk stockings, to the value of \$135, from the changing room of the European Y.M.C.A. swimming pool.

Mr Nelson, Chief Engineer, of the Talkoo Docks, reports the larceny from his possession of a Norwegian passport, two Chief Engineer certificates, some letters of recommendation, and a \$10 note, between Hotel Cecil and the Talkoo Docks.

## Indians Broach Question Of Independence Again

BOMBAY, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—The conference presided over by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru to discuss and find out means to resolve the present political deadlock in India to-day adopted a draft resolution which will be passed at the plenary session to-morrow.

After recording profound admiration of the heroism and undaunted steadfastness of the British people and paying tribute to Indian troops in the Middle East, the resolution urges that the resources of India in men and material should be used to the fullest advantage not only in self-defence but in helping the British people to the fullest possible extent.

"To enable the Government to get the utmost help from the people of India," the resolution urges that simultaneously with reconstruction of the central government, the British Government make a declaration that within a definite time limit after the

conclusion of war India will attain a constitutional status such as will be attained, for example, by the Dominions of Australia and Canada after the war.

**Suggested Portfolios**  
The main feature of the suggested reconstruction centre is that the whole Executive Council should consist entirely of non-official Indians in joint responsibility for the period of the war the defence portfolio to be in the charge of an Indian but with proper safeguards to maintain the position of the Commander-in-Chief as the executive head of the Army; and the finance portfolio to be in the hands of an Indian.



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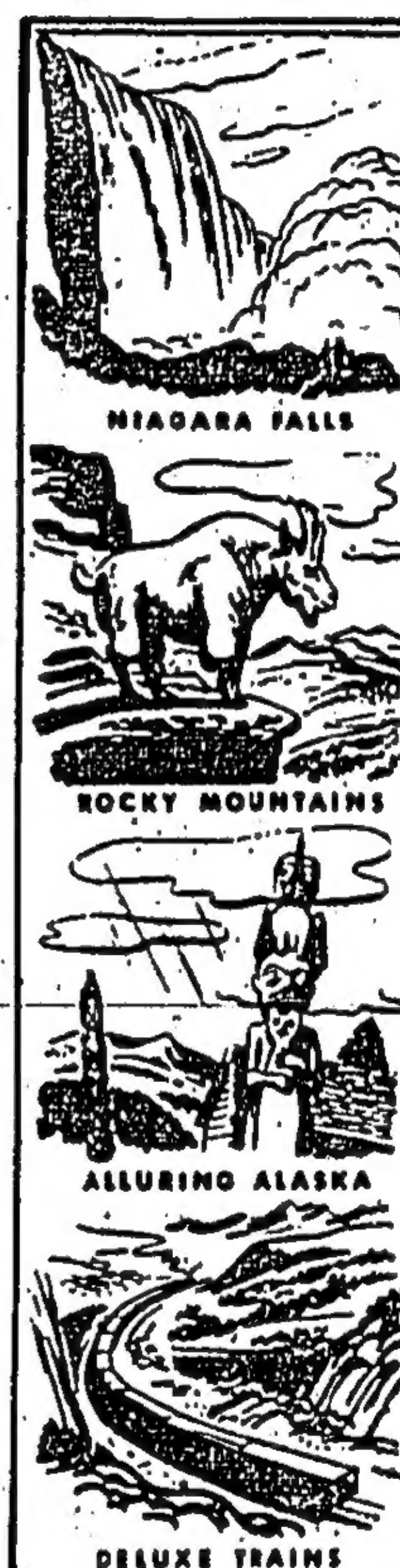
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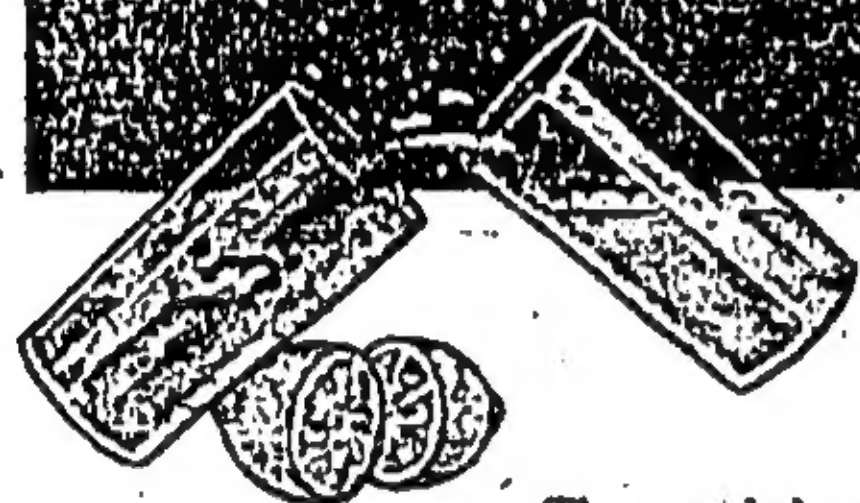
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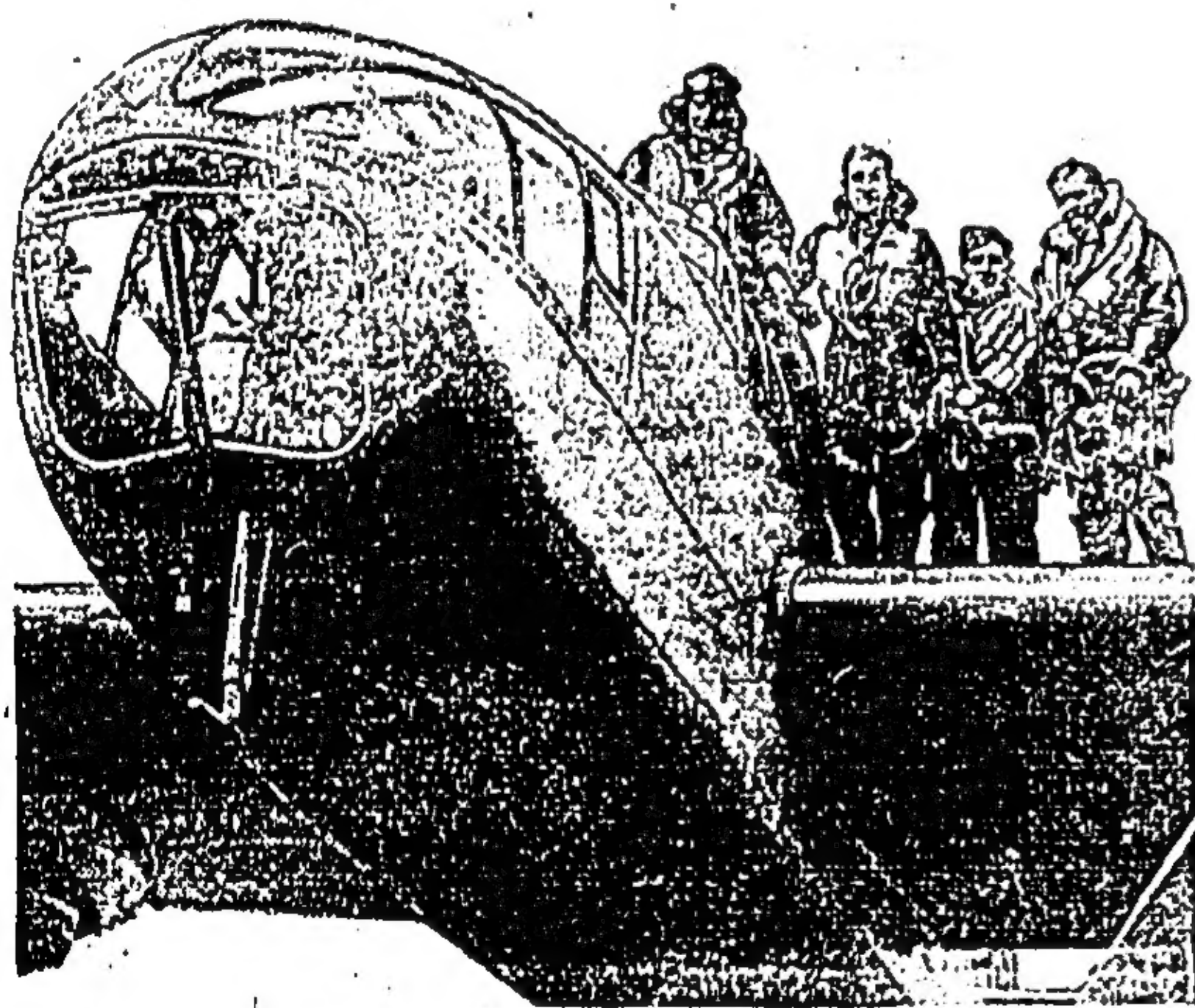
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## WEYGAND FIRST URGED PEACE

### Vichy Pamphlet Disclosures

The bitter tone of recrimination against Britain which characterised so many earlier French utterances and writings is absent from a Vichy Government-approved pamphlet telling the inside story of events leading up to the French collapse.

M. Charles Riebel, a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Senate, is the author.

M. Riebel reveals that it was Gen. Weygand, successor to Gen. Gamelin as Commander of the French forces, who, as early as June 7, first urged the Government to ask for an armistice. Weygand hoped to save Paris, avoid the evacuation of the Government, and forestall a declaration of war by Italy. On June 12 Weygand again urged an armistice to prevent the complete destruction of the French army.

Divisions were reduced to two or three battalions and men were dropping from fatigue and lack of sleep. The Cabinet, however, "remained unshakable."

The next day, after the Supreme Council had met and learned that Mr. Churchill was unable to promise more than three divisions and 72 guns, M. Reynaud's Cabinet still refused to accede to Gen. Weygand's demand.

### Flight To Africa Plan

M. Riebel says that the Cabinet had two plans. It intended either to flee to Brittany and be ready to leave for the United States, if necessary, or go first to Bordeaux and then to Africa.

The pamphlet says that France rejected the British plea not to surrender her fleet because, on that condition, Germany would never have granted an armistice.

Gen. Gamelin's incompetence is branded as chiefly responsible for defeat. President Lebrun is stated to have said to M. Riebel after the Government's flight to Tours: "Would you believe it? Gamelin came to see me only a few days before we left Paris, praised his own strategy, and said that he would have done exactly the same if he were beginning the campaign over again."

## BRITAIN MAKING MORE SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS

A triumph over their German rivals is announced by Britain's scientific instrument makers.

Before the war Canada invited the world to compete for a surveying aneroid required by the Dominion's Geographical Survey Department. They asked for an accuracy of 0.02 inches of mercury. The Germans said it was impossible. They flatly refused to try.

British decided to tackle the job. Two years' special research have been put in on it, and now the makers are able to disclose the fact that they have done ten times better than they were asked to do. They have achieved not the 0.02 inches of accuracy but 0.002, or one-tenth of the error allowed by the specification. "We lost heavily on it," said a member of the firm, "but the research we did has been of immense value."

### New Customers

To-day Britain's supremacy in making scientific instruments is shown by the world demand for them. Among her wartime customers are Argentina, Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa.

The latest figures are eloquent of Britain's new supremacy. Before the war she was exporting about one-third the quantity of scientific instruments sold by her German rivals. During the first nine months of 1940, she sent overseas more than £900,000 worth, an actual increase of almost £100,000 over the first nine months of 1939.

## President's Wife Fights Colour Bar

In February, 1939, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt led a nationwide protest against the Daughters of the American Revolution when the DAR refused to allow Marian Anderson, great Negro contralto, to give a concert in Constitution Hall at Washington, which the DAR owns.

A few weeks ago, Mrs. Roosevelt, who resigned from the DAR after the Anderson episode, heard the Golden Gate Quartet, four Negroes whose heavenly harmonising has made them night club, radio and phonograph record stars.

Later, it was announced that the Golden Gate Quartet would sing at the inaugural gala, in Constitutional Hall, still in Washington and still owned by the DAR. The gala was one of the most important social gatherings of the inauguration celebration.

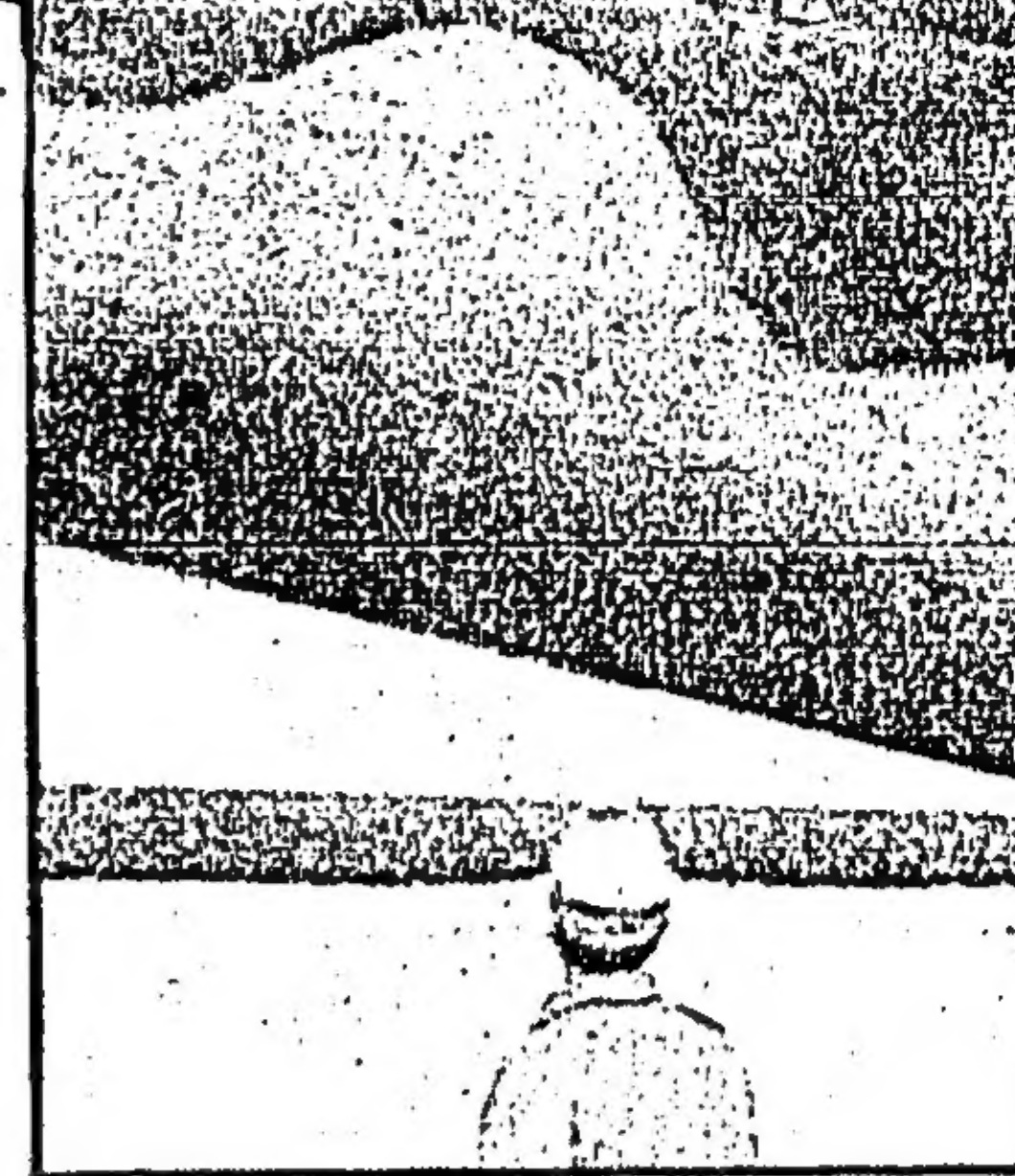


## Scrap For 300 Destroyers

Half a million tons of scrap iron and steel—enough to build 300 destroyers or 7,000 heavy tanks—will, it is expected, be discovered as a result of the national survey of derelict properties, being made by the Ministry of Supply Iron and Steel Control.

Local government officials of more than 3,000 bodies are carrying out the survey. An index is being prepared of old buildings, mines, bridges, machinery, railway tracks and other property, where the scrap metal can be obtained.

Railway tracks laid by German prisoners in the last war have been listed, and the survey includes waste material from buildings which have been damaged in air raids.



THE PILOT of an R.A.F. machine talking with a Greek soldier after landing at an airport in Greece.

## New Plane Location Finder

Commercial aviation has advanced another step forward with the announcement that United Air Lines, oldest air transportation in the United States, has perfected an aeroplane location finder after more than four years of research and development work.

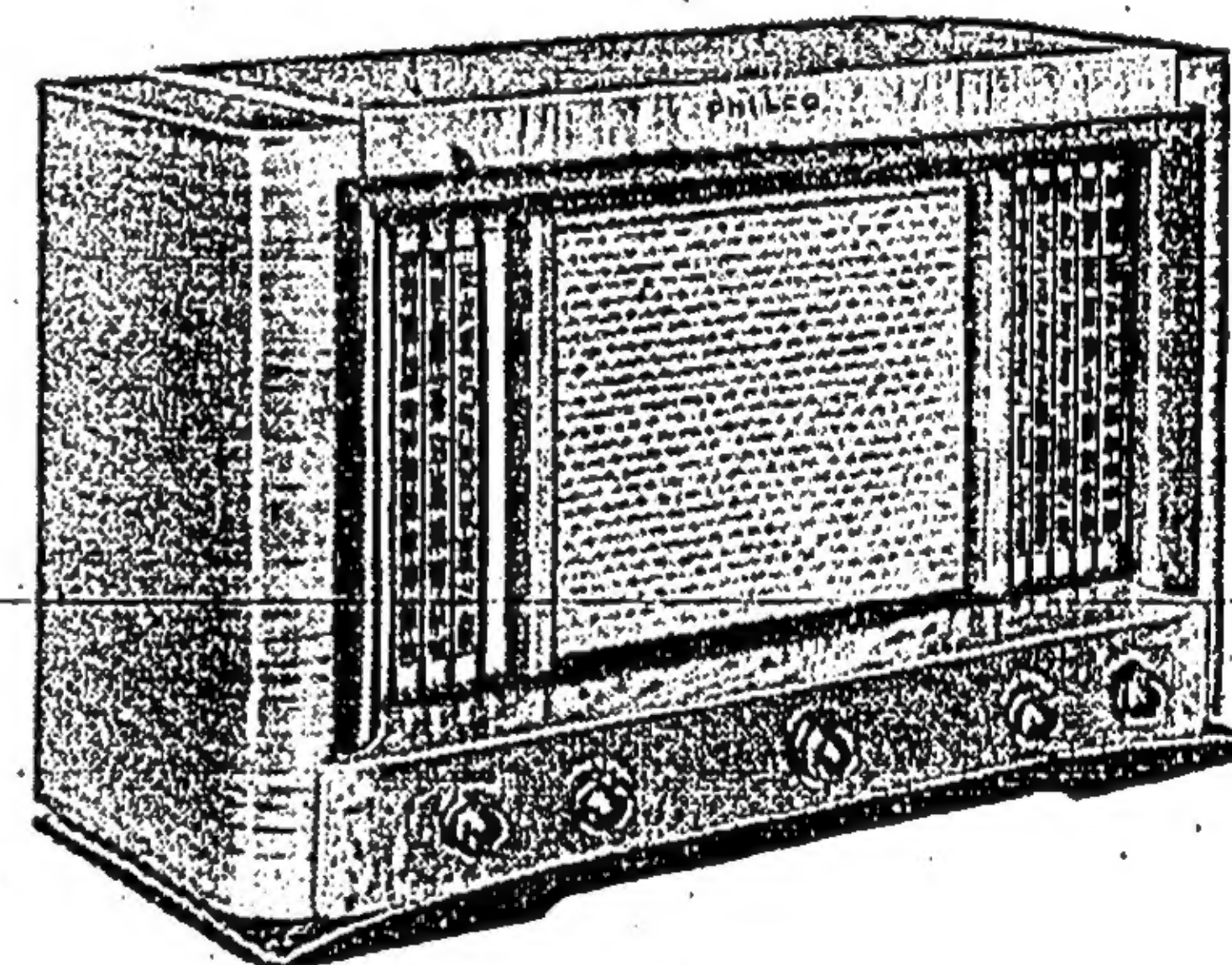
Through use of this device ground stations can now determine by radio the exact position of a plane in flight regardless of weather conditions and regardless of whether the plane is flying over a chartered course.

Main feature of the new device is a large metallic frame antenna located on top of a building and rotated by an electric motor. Each time that an airliner transmits by short-wave radio, the signal is received by the frame antenna.

Equipment connected with this antenna by means of a telephone line automatically indicates the bearing of plane on a chart in the dispatcher's office. Also, two or more stations equipped with the antenna and recorder can work together in triangulating the plane's position so as to inform pilots of their exact location.

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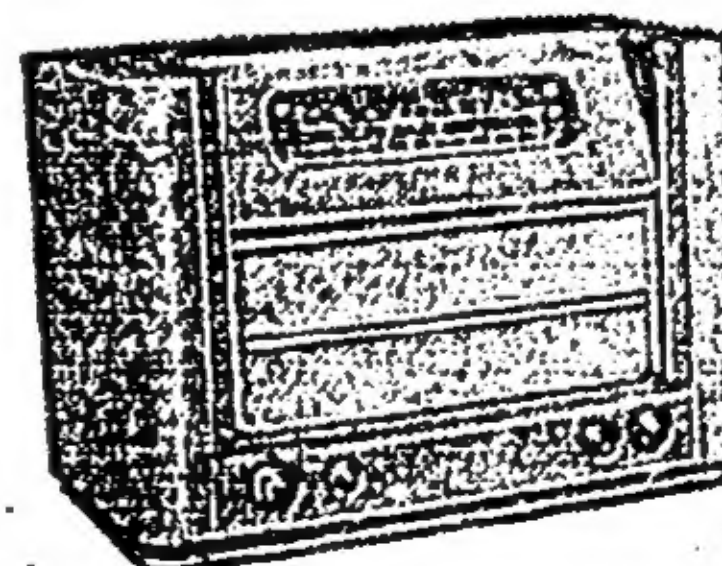
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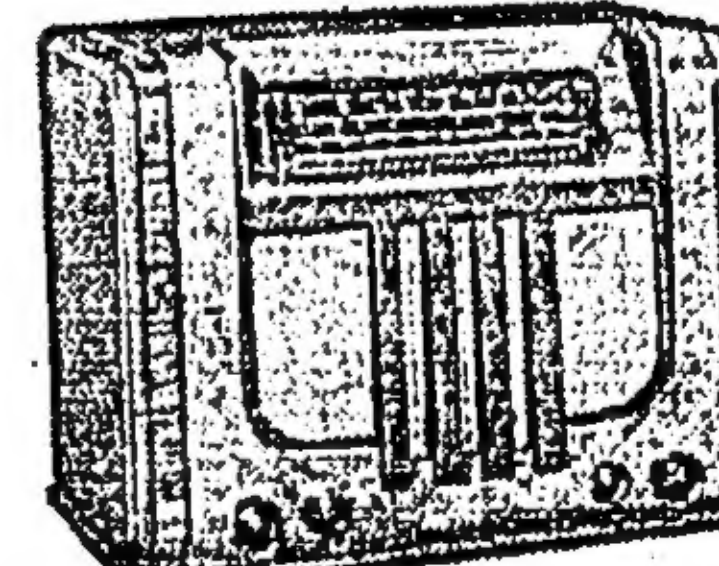
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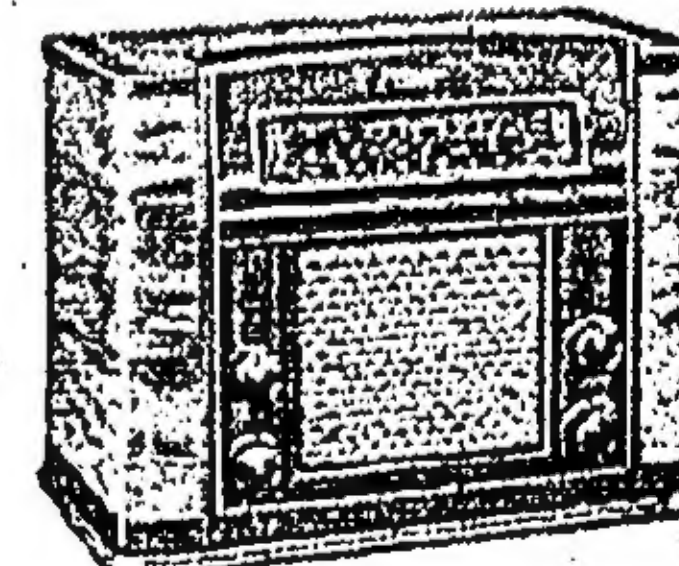
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## SLANDER ACTION

### Two Chinese Women In Court

That \$40,000 had been lost by two persons in mah-jong games was estimated at the Summary Court this morning when further evidence was heard by Mr Justice E. H. Williams in a claim for damages and slander.

The action is for slander and the Plaintiff is Mrs. Chan Pau-shi of No. 430 Nathan Road. Defendant is Mrs. Chan Yee-koo, of No. 22 Hillwood Road.

Plaintiff claims \$1,000 damages, alleging that defendant, in the presence of a number of people at No. 5 King's Terrace, had called her a chitien (swindler). The defence is that Plaintiff induced Mrs. Hui Suk-koo to play with her in mah-jong games as her partner, and taught her signs by which they were able to communicate with one another and thereby win large sums of money.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon is appearing for the Plaintiff, and Defendant is represented by Mr. F. H. Losoby.

#### Cross Examined

This morning Mrs. Hui was cross-examined by Mr. Hon who asked her how many times she had played with the Plaintiff to cheat others. Mrs. Hui replied that it was between 10 and 20 times in Hillwood Road but they did not include occasions elsewhere.

Mrs. Hui said that her winnings had amounted to about \$2,500. Mr. Hon: Your winnings at Hillwood Road were between \$5,000 to \$7,000?—Yes. At Mrs. Tsang's place it was about \$500 to \$600. That was my share.

What was your share regarding to others?—Over \$1,000. If Mrs. Tsang and Mrs. Chan said that they both lost roughly about \$40,000 then of course this won't tally with what you say?—I may have won more money which I spent at the same time. I have no record of my winnings.

Mrs. Hui denied that she had told a Miss Yip Chan-shi, in the presence of others, that she was asked to fabricate the story about the cheating.

Mr. Hon: You started to cheat others with the Plaintiff, you stopped for a while and then you said you resumed your cheating with the Plaintiff again. When was the second time?—About June or July.

Very often?—Not very often but occasionally. About five times. I cannot remember actually.

#### Proceeds Divided

Do you always divide the proceeds the same day or the following day?—There is no fixed period. The very day, the next day or sometimes several days afterwards because before the adjustment of the accounts between us we each kept the money we made in the games. We divide our money everywhere. Some times at the Kit Sat Hair Dressers, once at the Sun Sun Restaurant and once, while we were dividing our proceeds in the Plaintiff's house, some of the mah-jong players came in and Plaintiff put me in a room for over an hour.

Mrs. Hui said that she was a Christian and she replied in the affirmative when Mr. Hon asked her if she did believe that if she cheated others it brought bad luck to her husband and children.

Asked why she had resumed cheating after she had stopped once, Mrs. Hui said that at that time she was compelled by circumstances. "At the same time since I was playing with the Plaintiff and she was used to such signs and so naturally I obeyed her," witness also said.

#### Money For Children

Questioned as to what the meant by the word "circumstances," Mrs. Hui said that she had no money and her husband was unemployed.

Mr. Hon: Do you mean to say that your husband expected you to find money to look after the children?—Yes.

Last time you told his Lordship that you had money, at least that you had saved up some of your ill-gotten gains, and now you say that your husband expected you to find money to look after your family in the sixth or seventh month?—The money I saved had been spent in paying off debts in money loan associations and my husband had been ill for some time and the money had been spent on medical treatment.

Because of money you were prepared to risk your husband and children by working with the Plaintiff and cheat others in the sixth month?—For clothing, eating and living. It would be better than starving to death.

## DANGER TO EIRE

### De Valera's Statement

DUBLIN, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—As the crisis of war grew more acute, the danger to Ireland correspondingly increased, said Mr. Eamon De Valera, the Premier of Eire, speaking in the Dail on the vote on accounts.

He said that from the moment war broke out Eire had been in danger, not because the belligerents wanted directly or indirectly to injure them but because the country happened to be placed in such a position that there was temptation on one side or the other to seize the territory for military advantage.

**Stranger From Germany**  
DUBLIN, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—A stranger who stated that he had landed during the night from a German aeroplane was arrested by guards at County Wexford to-day, says an official announcement.

He declared that he came down at Ballycullaid, in the same county.

## American Sees Victory For Britain

NEW YORK, Mar. 14 (Reuter).—The "New York Post" on March 10 summarised the Paul Tierney series, "The Post's War Editor Believes" as follows:

"The British people will not crack. British defences are strongly manned and the people are eager for Hitler's attempt at invasion."

"Britain will not starve. Nazi-held nations in Europe are being organised to take part in a great upsurge of revolution when the hour is ripe."

"British capital and British labour are working with marked harmony in a common cause."

"Given shipping and given supplies, the British can and will carry the war to the continent and bring Hitler to his knees."

## Notice To Mariners

### Netherlands East Indies

A Notice to Mariners states that the following additional lights on the coasts and ports of the Netherlands East Indies are extinguished until further notice.

Edna Island. The white occulting light.

Tanjong Priok. The west and east Mole lights.

Ball Strait.

Duiven Island, Tanjong Baneering. (The leading lights), Tanjong Pasir and Banjoewang (Both lights).

Blambangan, Tjilatjap. Tjilatjap Inlet, Tanjong Pambanong, Balakpapan. (Pilot Light-vessel), Tanjong Nocoaniv, Tarakan. (Pilot light-vessels), Tarakan (U). (The leading light), Tarakan (U). (The light on the south point of reef near Tanjong Mengat).

The following further lights have also been extinguished:—

The Examination Vessel at Tanjong Priok; the Light Buoys at Tarakan; and the Examination Lights, Light Buoys and Anchor Lights at Balikpapan.

#### Bulan Strait

The existence of a shoal in Bulan Strait, with a least depth of ten feet exists in lat. 01 degrees 01' 52" N., long. 103 degrees 54' 24" E., (Approx.), according to a Notice to Mariners, issued by the Harbour Department yesterday.

The chart affected is No. 2403.

## BLACK-OUT FINES

Two Europeans were summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., at Central Magistrate's this morning for breach of the black-out regulations by failing to shade their motor car lights sufficiently on February 26.

A. G. Dalziel of the Hongkong Dairy Supply Company, and residing at No. 300, The Peak, was fined \$20. Sergeant Sullivan said that defendant's car was stopped in Garden Road as the side lights were penetrating through the paper covering.

Defendant pleaded guilty and stated that he did not use the car further that night but parked it in Garden Road and went home by the Peak Tram.

A fine of \$20 was imposed on W. Stoker of the Hongkong Electric Company who sent a letter pleading technically guilty. Sergeant Sullivan stated the car had three lamps covered but the paper on the other had come off, exposing the light.

## 879 Planes For Britain Last Month

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The Office of Production Management, which is the Supreme National Defence Agency in the United States, to-day announced that 972 planes were delivered during February, of which 879 went to Britain and the United States.

The Office also transmitted to the Maritime Commission a list on which cargo priorities may be based, based on items which may be sidetracked in favour of defence cargoes which include spices, tin, coconut oil, palm oil, fibers, and burlap although sufficient quantities will be imported for civilian as well as defence needs.

## 2-Ocean Navy For U. S.

### Knox Gives Estimate

WASHINGTON, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was urged by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, Admiral Harold Stark, Chief of Naval Operations, Admiral Towers, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, in their testimony before the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee.

All three warned Congress that the international situation might continue to grow worse from time to time. Speedy completion of a two-ocean navy was necessary because the combined German, Italian and Japanese fleets at the beginning of this year totalled 1,835,000 tons against the 1,250,000 tons of the United States.

This did not take into account the French ships.

#### Women's Golf

## Spring Meeting At Fanling

The one-day Spring Meeting of the Ladies Section of the R.H.K.G.C. held at Fanling on Tuesday, March 11, proved a great success in spite of unfavourable weather conditions, and was attended by over thirty ladies.

The following are the results of the Competitions held that day:

Boys Competition, New Course.—Mrs Margaret, 5 down.

Boys Competition (Special Prize for handicaps of 30 and over).—Mrs Heiby, 2 down.

Approaching & Putting.—Mrs Turnbull and Mrs Sturges-Wells, 11.

Putting Pool.—Mrs Casakly, 10.

The sum of \$60.00 was collected for War Charities as the result of a raffle.

At the conclusion of the competitions the Captain (Mrs F. A. Mackintosh) presented the prizes and in an address to the gathering reviewed the season's activities.

## Fanling Golf Starting Times

**Sunday**  
**OLD COURSE**  
9.10 F. A. Howard, T. Mearry.  
9.20 L. W. Sheehan, F. D. Hunter.  
9.30 A. B. Purves, J. H. Geare.  
9.40 A. H. L. Lister, A. H. Penn.  
9.50 G. Doidge, G. Thomson.  
10.00 P. V. McLane, W. W. C. Sheehan.  
10.10 H. Young, R. Forster.  
10.20 Major Giles, D. S. Robb.  
10.30 L. A. R. Duncan, J. Mackenzie.  
10.40 J. Harrop, T. Low.  
10.50 T. Harrington, J. W. Anderson.  
11.00 H. F. Phillips, A. J. Dennis.  
11.10 A. M. Mack, P. Strenfield.  
11.20 P. J. Fenwick, D. C. Davis.  
11.30 S. A. Sleep, D. L. Prophet.  
11.40 H. G. Margaret, R. H. Challinor.  
11.50 J. Way, H. A. Mills.  
12.00 A. R. Redmond, J. C. Taylor.  
12.10 A. W. Bourne, S. L. Lloyd.  
12.20 A. J. E. Mackenzie, H. Overy.  
12.30 K. S. Robertson, G. M. Park.  
12.40 J. M. Thomson, J. L. Macintyre.  
12.50 P. E. Anns, J. B. Mackie.  
1.00 J. J. van Muihlen, B. de Haan.  
1.10 J. G. Jensen, Major Alley.

**NEW COURSE**  
9.24 J. A. D. Morrison, J. S. Dunnett.  
9.34 P. Morrison, R. R. Davies.  
9.44 P. A. M. Elliott, E. Groomer.  
9.54 N. S. Lister, J. H. Collis.  
10.04 Miss Wentworth, Mrs Prophet.  
10.14 Mrs Margaret, Mrs Challinor.  
10.24 Miss Blackwell, A. A. Annett.  
10.34 Miss Kelly, Mrs Murrell.  
10.44 J. Linaker, Col. Matthews.  
10.54 Col. Shackleton, Major Curran.

## Kowloon C.C. Bowls Teams For Sunday

The following rinks will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a game of lawn bowls against the Northumberland and Durham Society at the K.C.C. on Sunday, 3 p.m.:  
G. E. Taylor, R. T. Burch, R. S. Capell and V. C. Labrum (skip).  
R. B. Wellwood, S. A. Gray, A. E. Perry and E. C. Fincher (skip).  
R. S. Meadows, A. H. Martin, A. C. Tribble and W. W. Parsons (skip).  
A. Staven, E. A. Fabul, A. E. P. Guest and E. Goodwin (skip).  
Reserves.—T. A. Madar and C. Bowden.

## Kowloon B.G.C. Annual Report

THE ANNUAL general meeting of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club will be held in the Clubhouse on March 26 at 6 p.m. Report for the year reveals a profit of over \$600, while the Committee make acknowledgment with thanks for the generous support of members in donations to the Bomber Fund, to which the sum of \$1,062 had been contributed. During the year, 34 new members joined and 35 left. The membership on December 31 totalled 234, comprising nine life members, seven honorary members, 168 ordinary members and 50 sea-going members.

The redemption of all outstanding debentures of the Club by way of bank overdraft has been completed.

## Cricket Match Postponed

The Senior League cricket match between the Cranleigh Cricket Club and the Club de Recreo arranged for to-morrow has been postponed.

## Canadian Wheat

OTTAWA, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—Limitation of the amount of the 1941 wheat crop to be accepted by the Canadian Wheat Board to 230,000,000 bushels as announced by Mr. James Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture, will need a reduction of approximately 35 per cent. of wheat acreage.

Farmers who use the remaining acreage in certain specified ways will be compensated.

## Claim For Money Succeeds

William Powell, Ltd., claimed \$50.50 for goods sold and delivered to Captain R. D. Scriven, before Mr Justice E. H. Williams in Supreme Court this morning.

Defendant was absent.

Ng Kit-ye, in charge of the accounts of the Plaintiff firm testified to the debt and said a bill was sent to the Defendant.

Judgment was given for Plaintiff.

## Uulawful Dredging

Bill amounting to \$20 was confiscated by Commr T. C. Siff at the Marine Court this morning when four mtr. who were charred with unlawfully dredging in Wanchai Bay yesterday failed to appear in Court. Sergeant Innes prosecuted.

## Entries And Handicaps For Fanling Races

Following are the entries and handicaps for the Fanling Hunt and Race Club meeting to be held on March 23:

Shamrock Handicap (7 furlongs, flat race).—A. Good Time, (145), Colorado Star, (135), Dick Turpin, (145), Schmetterling, (140), Sea Urchin, (135), Tarzan, (135), Violet, (140).

Fanling Grand National & Pierce Group Memorial Cup (5 1/2 miles, steeplechase).—Chubby Number, (135), Double Chance, (147), Jack O'Lantern, (145), Mac's Second Venture, (140), March Brown, (141), Ploughboy, (141), Soldier of China, (141), Three Farthings, (140), Viber, (140).

Dublin Handicap (6 furlongs, flat race).—Arabian Cup, (140), Ascot Vale, (139), Dow Jones, (135), Gallant Marshal, (135), Heddon, (140), Lancashire Chap, (141), Lucky Eleven, (139), National Liberty, (135), National Success, (135), Palmer, (140), Plain View, (139), Radium Star, (140), Zero, (140).

Hunters Cup (7 furlongs, flat race).—Chatterbox, (141), Jack O'Lantern, (141), King's Worley, (142), Night View, (135), Oomph, (143), Royal Highness, (140), Royal Wedding Eve, (140), Soldier of China, (141), Sylvanale, (140), The Times, (135), West Lake, (132).

Governor's Cup (2 miles, steeplechase).—Gustus, (140), Glorious Star, (142), Kite, (140), Sea Urchin, (147), Spark Plug, (145), Spectrum, (140), Toy Lumber, (141), Teviotdale, (140).

Kangaroo Cup (6 furlongs, flat race).—Entries for this race will close next Tuesday at noon and the handicaps will be announced on Wednesday.

In connection with the Hunters' Cup, a special \$1 sweep, limited to 100,000 chances, is being run. The cost of one Through Chance is \$10, including the special sweep. Tickets can be obtained at the Cash Sweep Department, No. 17, Connaught Road, Central, top floor.

## Franco-Thai Pledge

### Will Not Co-operate Against Japan

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BANGKOK, Mar. 13 (UP).—Authorized quarters commenting on the Franco-Thai pledge that neither country would enter an agreement with any nation envisaging political, economical or military co-operation against Japan, said that the pledge is merely a reaffirmation of the Thai-Japanese non-aggression treaty which was ratified last autumn.

They declared that it added nothing to the present Thai-Japanese relations.

## Bangkok Celebrates

Bangkok, Mar. 13 (UP).—Bangkok was belagued to-day in celebration of the signing of the peace pact; however, there were very few Japanese flags displayed and it is understood the police prohibited demonstrations.

Thai quarters are disappointed that Ankor Vat which is considered sacred was not returned to Thailand. Most quarters, however, are satisfied that peace has been restored "with honour."

## WAR FUND

### Raffle Draw At Peninsula Hotel

It is announced that the public drawing for the prizes in the Bomber Raffle organised by the Hongkong War Effort Committee in aid of the Bomber Fund will take place at the Peninsula Hotel on Friday, April 11. The draw will be conducted by His Honour Sir A. D. MacGregor, Kt, in conjunction with Messrs Linstead & Davis and The Hongkong Jockey Club.

As it will take many hours to complete the drawing owing to the hundreds of prizes, it has been tentatively arranged to commence at 2 p.m. and to carry on until the evening. It is expected that the last number will be recorded between 9 and 10 p.m.

Tickets will be withdrawn from sale at all centres at noon on Thursday, April 10.

### Blank Day Saved

A solitary donation of fifty cents from an anonymous donor, saved yesterday from being a blank day for the Bomber Fund. This brings the total collected by this War Fund to \$1,635,577.70.

H.R.D.C.  
The Board of Administrators of the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China, Hongkong and South China Branch, acknowledged with grateful thanks the donation to this Fund of \$35,602.03 from the Hongkong Jockey Club, this sum representing 50 per cent. of the surplus of the Special Sweep on the Roto Hill Derby 1941.

## Rhode Island Again Battered

### Third Nightly Visit

CAIRO, Mar. 13 (Reuter).—R.A.F. bombers for the third successive night heavily raided enemy aerodrome on the island of Rhodes.

A communiqué describing last night's raids says that at Amfizza all bombs fell on the aerodrome runway or among the hangars. The bombs caused explosions and the fire was visible 20 miles away.

At Calisto and Kattania, all the bombs fell on aerodromes and a fire was caused at Scarpanto.

Despite anti-aircraft fire, all aircraft returned safely.

## Another Japanese Aviation Accident

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Mar. 13 (Domei).—Captain Shinnosuke Mureyuki, Lieutenant Shoichi Okuyama were killed when a naval aeroplane while carrying out a military mission was lost north of Formosa on the afternoon of March 1, the Navy Minister announced to-day. All three Naval officers have been promoted posthumously to higher ranks.

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## British Bombers Blitz Berlin

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ed at Bremen last night, while five were killed and 24 slightly wounded at Hamburg. The report added that the United States Consulate at Hamburg was hit by a high explosive bomb which pierced through to the second story.

The official news agency has admitted that 10 were killed and 27 wounded in last night's air raid on Berlin, but it was claimed that a total of 10 British planes were shot down over Berlin, Hamburg, and Bremen. At the same time, it was claimed that the attacks were "intentionally directed at residential districts," and that the fires were quickly extinguished with no military damage of importance being caused. Several dwellings were damaged.

## Kowloon Dock Fire

A small fire broke out in the No. 6 welding plant at the Kowloon Docks about 11.30 a.m. to-day. Two fire appliances were rushed to the scene and the fire was under control within 20 minutes. The outbreak is believed to have been caused by a short-circuit of electric wires.

## Join Nazis Plea Angers Switzerland

A STORM of indignation has blown up in Switzerland, following publication of an article by the Swiss author, Jakob Schaffner, in the German weekly "Das Reich."

In it the author recommends the abandonment by Switzerland of her neutrality and her attachment to the German Reich.

Schaffner lives in Germany, while retaining his Swiss nationality.

M. Feldmann, a member of the National Council, writing in the "Neue Berner Zeitung," condemns Schaffner's "arrogance" in openly discussing in a foreign publication questions of Swiss policy.

The Swiss "National Zeitung" says it has never known so incomprehensible an interpretation of Swiss neutrality as that Schaffner outlines.

## R.A.F. Fight Back 200 Raiders

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that several of them failed to return to their bases.

**Crashed With Bombs**  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (Reuters).—A German bomber with a full bomb-load was shot down in the south of England shortly after dark to-night. As the machine crashed, the bomb-load went off in a gigantic explosion, smashing the machine to small fragments and killing the crew.

The explosion of the bombs could be heard 20 miles away.

**German Losses**  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced that at least five German raiders were brought down last night and that several others probably destroyed. New twin-engine Beaufort fighters destroyed two Junkers 88s; "One was intercepted as it headed towards the sea off south coast and the second was caught as it headed northwards."

Two Heinkel 111s were destroyed by Beaufort fighters from a squadron which made history at Dunkirk by destroying 37 planes in one day without any losses to itself. The first Heinkel was shot down over Surrey and the second was brought down while enroute home, and crashed in flames into the sea.

A Beaufort torpedo bomber torpedoed a German destroyer in the Skagerrak last night. The Air Ministry announced: "It was too dark to see whether or not it was still there, but there was no more gunfire from her."

**Raiders Scatter**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Mar. 13 (UP).—Indicating another widespread raid, it is reported that German bombers were over many parts of the country to-night but the London area was quiet except for a few brief bursts of gunfire. One bomber was brought down over south England, the load of bombs exploding, killing the crew and blasting the machine to bits. The explosions were heard 20 miles distant.

Three additional bombers were reported to have been brought down—two over the east coast and another over south England.

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